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### Proceedings.

#### SENATE.

Wednesday, May 19th, 1824—123d day.

The President signed the thirty enrolled bills last reported to have been examined and signed, and they were delivered to the Committee to be laid before the President of the United States.

Mr. LLOYD, from the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses upon the amendments of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act to amend the several acts imposing duties on imports," reported, that they have had the same under consideration, and respectfully recommend the adoption of the following proposition:

1st. That the House of Representatives do recede from its disagreement to the third amendment of the Senate, and do agree to the same with the following amendment, after the word "wool," where it first occurs in the proviso, strike out the words, or "of which wool shall be a component part," and insert *except flannels and baizes*. 2d. That the Senate do recede from so much of its sixteenth amendment in reference to the specific duty on cotton bagging as is disagreed to by the House of Representatives, and that the clause be modified so as to read, *on cotton bagging three cents and three fourths of a cent, per square yard*.

The report was read and considered; whereupon, *Resolved*, That the Senate do concur therein.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the motion of the 17th instant, requesting at the next session of Congress a report shewing the effect of the new tariff of duties on the revenue; and agreed thereto.

Mr. KNIGHT reported, from the Committee, that they had examined, and found duly enrolled, the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Dean Weymouth, and Zachariah Bunker."

Mr. KING, of Ala. from the Committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act granting donations of land to certain actual settlers in the territory of Florida," reported it without amendment.

The bill, entitled "An act to authorize the building of light houses, light vessels, and beacons therein mentioned, and for other purposes;" and the bill, entitled "An act to revive and continue in force the 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th and 7th sections of the act, entitled "An act further to provide for the collection of duties on imports and tonnage," passed the third of March, 1815, were severally read the second time, and referred to the Committee on Commerce and Manufactures.

The bill from the House, entitled "An act for altering the time for holding the circuit court of the United States, for the fourth circuit in the Maryland District, was twice read by unanimous consent, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The Senate proceeded to consider, as in Committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act to improve the navigation of the Ohio and Mississippi rivers—Mr. BARBOUR in the chair: and the bill was amended and reported to the Senate, and the amendments being concurred in, on the question, "Shall the amendment be engrossed and the bill be read a third time, as amended? It was determined in the affirmative—Yeas 25, Nays 20.

YEAS, 25.—Messrs. Barton, Benton, Brown, D'Wolf, Dickerson, Eaton, Findlay, Holmes, of Miss. Jackson, Johnson, of Ken. H. Johnson, J. S. Johnston, Kelly, Lanman, Lloyd, of Mass. Lowrie, McIlvaine, Noble, Parrott, Ruggles, Smith, Talbot, Taylor, of Ind. Thomas, and Williams.

NAYS, 20.—Messrs. Barbour, Branch, Bell, Chandler, Clayton, Edwards, Elliott, Gaillard, Hayne, Holmes, of Me. King, of Ala. King, of N. Y. Macon, Mills, Palmer, Seymour, Taylor, of Va. Van Buren, Van Dyke, and Ware.

Mr. KING, of Ala. from the Committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act for a grant of land for the seat of government in the territory of Florida, and for other purposes," reported it with amendments, which were read.

Mr. EATON, from the Committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act granting a right of pre-emption to certain actual settlers in that part of the former province of West Florida, included in the District of Jackson Court House, in the state of Mississippi, and in the district of St. Helena Court House, in the state of Louisiana, reported it without amendment.

Mr. EATON presented the memorial of Alexander Moore and others, of Alexandria county, in the District of Columbia, praying that the bill before Congress relating to the levy court of said county, may be suspended until the next session; read, and referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

The bill from the House of Representatives, entitled "An act to authorize the issuing a register to the brig William, of New-York, was read the third time, and PASSED—Yeas 32, Nays 13.

YEAS, 32.—Messrs. Barbour, Barton, Branch, Clayton, Eaton, Edwards, Elliott, Findlay, Gaillard, Hayne, Holmes, of Me. Johnson, of Ken. H. Johnson, Kelly, King, of Ala. King, of N. Y. Knight, Lanman, Lloyd, of Mass. Lowrie, McIlvaine, Macon, Mills, Seymour, Smith, Talbot, Taylor, of Ind. Taylor, of Va. Thomas, Van Buren, Van Dyke, and Ware.

NAYS, 13.—Messrs. Bell, Benton, Brown, Chandler, D'Wolf, Dickerson, Holmes, of Miss. Jackson, J. S. Johnston, Noble, Palmer, Parrott, and Williams.

The following bills from the House were read the third time, and PASSED,

viz: "An act for the relief of Robert Strain," "An act for the relief of Landis Richardson," "An act for the relief of John R. Carter," "An act for the relief of Edward Evans," "An act for the relief of the heirs of Miguel Eslaya.

The Senate proceeded to consider the amendments of the House to the resolution of the Senate, authorizing the purchase of a certain number of the copies of the Journals of Congress from 1774 to 1788; laid on the table.

The Senate proceeded to consider the amendment of the House of Representatives to the resolution fixing the time for an adjournment of Congress, and agreed thereto.

The engrossed bill to enable the President to carry into effect the treaty made at Ghent the 24th Dec. 1814, excluding foreigners from trade and intercourse with the Indian tribes within the United States, and to preserve the fur trade within the limits of the said United States to American citizens under the title of "An act to enable the President to hold treaties with certain Indian tribes and for other purposes," and the bill, entitled "An act to provide for the punishment of certain crimes, when committed in any navy yard, fort, arsenal, magazine, dock yard, light house, or other place belonging to the United States," were read the third time, and PASSED.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the Senate resumed, as in Committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the creation of a stock to an amount not exceeding five millions of dollars, to provide for the awards of the commissioners under the treaty with Spain of the 22d February, 1819.

*Adjourned*.

Thursday, May 20th, 1824.—124th day.

The President signed the enrolled bill last reported to have been examined and signed, and it was delivered to the Committee, to be laid before the President of the United States.

Mr. DICKERSON, from the Committee on Commerce and Manufactures, to whom was referred the memorial of A. B. Woodward, proposing a standard of measure for the United States, made a report, which was read and considered, and in concurrence therewith, *Ordered*, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the same.

Mr. VAN BUREN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the memorial of Thomas Robinson, reported a bill for the relief of the legal representatives of Thomas Robinson, deceased, which was twice read by unanimous consent.

Mr. VAN BUREN, from the same Committee, to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act for altering the time for holding the Circuit Court of the United States, for the fourth Circuit in the Maryland District;" reported it without amendment.

The resolution authorizing the Secretary of State to furnish a copy of Tanner's American Atlas to each of the Ministers Plenipotentiary and Charge d'Affairs of the United States, at Foreign Courts, was read the second time.

The Senate resumed, as in Committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the creation of a stock to an amount not exceeding five millions of dollars, to provide for the awards of the Commissioners under the treaty with Spain, of the 22d of February, 1819;—Mr. GAILLARD in the chair; and no amendment having been made, it was reported to the Senate, and ordered to a third reading.

The amendments to the bill, entitled "An act to improve the navigation of the Ohio and Mississippi rivers;" were reported by the Committee, correctly engrossed.

After the consideration of Executive business, *Adjourned*.

Friday, May 21st, 1824.—125th day.

The Vice-President being absent, the Senate proceeded to the choice of a President pro-tempore, as provided in the Constitution, and the Hon. JOHN GAILLARD was elected.

On motion, *Ordered*, That the Secretary wait on the President of the United States, and acquaint him that the Senate have in the absence of the Vice President, elected the Hon. JOHN GAILLARD, President of the Senate pro-tempore, and a similar communication to the House of Representatives.

The three bills from the House of Representatives, yesterday brought up for concurrence, were severally read twice by unanimous consent, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. RUGGLES, from the Committee of Claims, to whom was referred the bill for the relief of Nimrod Farrow and Richard Harris; reported it without amendment.

The Senate proceeded to consider, as in Committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act providing for a grant of land for the seat of Government in the territory of Florida, and for other purposes;" reported without amendment, and ordered to a third reading.

Mr. VAN BUREN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act to alter the times of holding the Circuit Court of the United States, for the District of South-Carolina;" reported it without amendment.

Mr. DICKERSON, from the Joint Committee appointed on the distribution of the rooms in the central building of the Capitol, made a report, accompanied by a resolution, assigning to the Senate and House of Representatives, in the rooms in the centre of the Capitol; the resolution was read twice by unanimous consent.

The Senate resumed, as in Committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the assignees and legal representatives of John H. Piatt;" reported without amendment, and ordered to a third reading—Yeas 25, Nays 15.

YEAS, 25.—Messrs. Barbour, Barton, Brown, D'Wolf, Edwards, Findlay, Gaillard, Holmes, of Me. Jackson, Johnson, of Ky. H. Johnson, J. S. Johnston, Kelly, Lowrie, McIlvaine, Mills, Noble, Ruggles, Seymour, Talbot, Taylor, of Ind. Thomas, Van Buren, Van Dyke, and Ware.



NAYS, 15.—Messrs. Bell, Benton, Branch, Chandler, Clayton, Eaton, Elliott, Hayne, King of Alab. King of N. Y. Knight, Macon, Palmer, Parrott, and Smith.

Mr. MILLS, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John Mitchell;" reported it without amendment.

On motion, by Mr. HAYNE, *Ordered*, that the Committee on Naval Affairs be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Peter Trezevant, and that it be referred to the fourth Auditor of the Treasury, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

The Senate proceeded to consider, as in Committee of the whole, the bill in further addition to "An act to establish a uniform rule of naturalization, and to repeal the acts heretofore passed on that subject;" and the same having been amended, it was reported to the Senate, and the amendments being concurred in, the bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

The Senate proceeded to consider their amendment to the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of J. Ottomare, disagreed to by the House of Representatives, and receded therefrom.

The bill from the House of Representatives, entitled "An act to authorize the creation of a stock to an amount not exceeding five millions of dollars, to provide for the awards of the Commissioners under the treaty with Spain of the 22d February, 1819;" was read the third time, and PASSED—Yeas 31, Nays 4.

YEAS, 31.—Messrs. Barbour, Barton, Bell, Chandler, D'Wolf, Dickerson, Eaton, Edwards, Elliott, Findlay, Gaillard, Hayne, Holmes of Me. Holmes of Miss. Jackson, Johnson of Ky. H. Johnson, J. S. Johnston, Kelly, King of Alab. Lowrie, Melvaine, Mills, Palmer, Parrott, Ruggles, Seymour, Smith, Talbot, Taylor of Ind. and Thomas.

NAYS, 4.—Messrs. Benton, Brown, Macon, and Noble.

The amendments to the bill from the House of Representatives, entitled "An act to improve the navigation of the Ohio and Mississippi rivers," having been reported by the Committee correctly engrossed; the bill was read the third time, as amended, and PASSED.

The Senate proceeded to consider the following bills, as in Committee of the whole, viz: The bill to establish a Surveyor General's Office in the territory of Arkansas—postponed indefinitely; the bill for the relief of the Columbian College, in the District of Columbia—reported without amendment; the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of George Fisher," together with the amendment reported thereto, by the Committee on Public Lands, which were agreed to, and the bill having been further amended, was reported to the Senate, and the amendments being concurred in, *Ordered*, to be engrossed, and the bill read a third time as amended; the bill authorizing the subscription of stock in the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company—laid on the table; the bill to fix the western boundary line of the territory of Arkansas; reported with amendments, which were concurred in, and the bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; the bill to authorize the painting of the Battle of New-Orleans, by John Vanderlyn—laid on the table; the bill to sell and dispose of the refuse lands of the United States—laid on the table; the bill to amend an act supplemental to an act, entitled "An act to carry into effect the ninth article of a treaty concluded between the United States and Spain, 22d February, 1819;" approved 3d March, 1823; and the same having been amended, was reported to the Senate, and the amendments being concurred in, *Ordered*, to be engrossed and read a third time; the bill to extinguish Indian claims to lands within the state of Missouri; reported without amendment, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

The resolution authorizing the Secretary of State to furnish a copy of Tanner's American Atlas to each of the Ministers Plenipotentiary and Charge d'Affaires of the United States, at Foreign Courts; amended and reported to the Senate; the amendment being concurred in, *Ordered* to be engrossed and read a third time.

The bill for the relief of Joseph Forrest; amended and reported to the Senate; the amendment being concurred in, *Ordered* to be engrossed and read a third time.

After the consideration of Executive business, *Adjourned*.

### Saturday, May 22d, 1824.—126th day.

Mr. DICKERSON, from the Committee on Commerce and Manufactures, to whom were referred the bills, entitled "An act to revive and continue in force the first, second, third, fourth, fifth and seventh sections of the act, entitled "An act further to provide for the collection of duties on imports and tonnage, passed 3d March, 1815;" and the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the building of light houses, light vessels and beacons therein mentioned, and for other purposes;" reported the former without amendment, and the latter with amendments, which were read.

Bills from the House of the following titles, viz:—1st, An act to discontinue certain post roads and to establish others; and 2d, An act to authorize the surveying and making of a road from a point in the northwestern boundary of the State of Ohio, near the foot of the rapids of the Miami of Lake Erie to Detroit, in the territory of Michigan;" were severally read twice and referred; the first to the Committee on Post Office and Post Roads; the second to the Select Committee on Roads and Canals.

The Senate proceeded to consider the message of the House of Representatives, with their agreement to the report of the Joint Committee of the Senate and House of Representatives, on the distribution of the Rooms of the Centre Building of the Capitol between the two Houses; and, *Resolved*, That the Senate concur therein.

The Senate proceeded to consider, as in Committee of the whole, the bill for the relief of Nimrod Farrow and Richard Harris, and no amendment having been made, it was reported to the Senate, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. KING, of Alabama, from the Committee on the Public Lands, reported a bill explanatory of an act, entitled "An act to provide for the extinguishment

of the debt due to the United States, by the purchasers of public lands," approved 18th May, 1824; read twice by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded to consider the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the representatives of John Donnelson, Stephen Heard and others;" and, *Resolved*, That the Senate agree thereto.

The bill from the House, entitled "An act making an appropriation for the payment of the claims of Daniel D. Tompkins, late Governor of the State of New-York, against the United States, was read twice by unanimous consent, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The bill from the House of Representatives, entitled "An act for the relief of the assignees of John H. Piatt," was read the third time and PASSED.

The bill from the House of Representatives, entitled "An act providing for a grant of land for the seat of government in the territory of Florida, and for other purposes," was read the third time and PASSED.

The amendments to the bill from the House of Representatives, entitled "An act for the relief of George Fisher," having been reported by the Committee correctly engrossed, was read the third time as amended and PASSED.

The bill to amend an act, supplemental to an act, entitled "An act to carry into effect the ninth article of a treaty concluded between the United States and Spain, the 22d day of Feb. 1819, approved the 3d March, 1823," having been reported by the Committee correctly engrossed, was read the third time, amended by unanimous consent, and PASSED.

The bill in further addition to "An act to establish a uniform rule of naturalization, and to repeal the acts heretofore passed on that subject," having been reported correctly engrossed, was read the third time and PASSED.

The bill, entitled "An act to extinguish Indian claims to lands within the State of Missouri," having been reported by the Committee correctly engrossed, was read the third time and PASSED.

The resolution authorizing the Secretary of State, to furnish a copy of Tanner's American Atlas to each of the Ministers Plenipotentiary and Charge des Affairs at foreign governments," was read the third time and PASSED.

The bill to fix the western boundary line of the territory of Arkansas, having been reported correctly engrossed, was read the third time, and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Mr. BARTON, from the Committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred the bill to complete the survey of the southern and western boundary of the State of Missouri, reported it without amendment. The Senate proceeded to consider said bill, as in Committee of the whole, and no amendment having been proposed, it was reported to the Senate, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

The bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Joseph Forrest, having been reported correctly engrossed, was read the third time, amended by unanimous consent, and PASSED.

Mr. VAN BUREN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom were referred the bills, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to amend an act for the establishment of a territorial government in Florida, and for other purposes;" and "An act to alter the Judicial Districts of Virginia, and for other purposes;" reported them severally without amendment.

The Senate proceeded to consider, as in Committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act to alter the times of holding the Circuit and District Courts of the United States, for the District of South Carolina," reported to the Senate without amendment, and ordered to a third reading.

Mr. BENTON, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act appropriating a certain sum of money to Benj. Hoffman, of the State of Indiana," reported it without amendment.

The Senate proceeded to consider, as in Committee of the whole, the bill for the relief of the legal representative of Thomas Robinson, deceased, and no amendment having been made thereto, it was reported to the Senate, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

After the consideration of Executive business, *Adjourned*.

### Monday, May 24th, 1824.—127th day.

Mr. BRANCH and Mr. JACKSON obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Commerce and Manufactures, be discharged from the several memorials for and against imposing duties on sales at auction, and also from the memorial of the Chamber of Commerce of Philadelphia, praying for the construction of a harbour near the capes of Delaware.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed for enrolled bills on the part of the Senate, in place of Mr. KNIGHT, absent; and Mr. EATON was appointed.

Mr. SMITH, from the Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act making an appropriation for the payment of the claims of Daniel D. Tompkins, late Governor of New-York against the United States," reported it without amendment.

On motion, by Mr. EDWARDS, *Ordered*, That William Eaton have leave to withdraw his petition and papers.

Mr. EATON gave notice, that to-morrow he would ask leave to bring in a resolution directing the Secretary to pay out of the contingent fund of the Senate, one thousand dollars to Enrico Causici.

On motion, by Mr. JACKSON, *Ordered*, That the Committee on Military Affairs, be discharged from the consideration of the report of the Secretary of War, on the subject of arms furnished the United States by South-Carolina.

Mr. BARTON presented the memorial of John Ross and others, a Delegation from the Cherokee nation of Indians, praying authority from Congress, if they do not now possess it, so far as to enable them to regulate by law, their municipal concerns by taxing merchants and pedlars trading within their nation, and the memorial was read and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

On motion, by Mr. LANMAN, *Ordered*, That three members be added to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads, in place of Mr. Knight, Mr. Johnson of Ky. and Mr. Melvaine absent. And Mr. Thomas, Mr. Clayton, and Mr. Ware, were appointed:



On motion, by Mr. HOLMES, of Maine, *Ordered*, That a member be added to the Committee on the Judiciary, in place of Mr. Talbot, absent, and Mr. Van Dyke was appointed.

*Ordered*, That the bill from the House, entitled "An act making an appropriation for the use of the Library of Congress, and for furnishing rooms in the Capitol," be referred to the Joint Library Committee.

The bill from the House, entitled "An act to allow a salary to the collectors of the Districts of Nantucket and Pensacola, and to abolish the office of surveyor of the District of Pensacola;" to the Committee on Commerce and Manufactures.

The bill from the House, entitled "An act to authorize the legal representatives of the Marquis de Maison Rouge, and those claiming under him, to institute a suit against the United States and for other purposes;" to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The bills from the House, entitled "An act making appropriations to carry into effect certain Indian treaties;" "An act making further appropriations for the military service of the United States, for the year 1824, and for other purposes;" to the Committee on Finance.

The bills, entitled "An act to establish an additional land office in the state of Missouri;" "An act granting a tract of land to the inhabitants of the Parish of Point Coupee on certain conditions;" "An act reserving to the Wyandot tribe of Indians a certain tract of land, in lieu of a reservation made to them by treaty;" and "An act concerning pre-emption rights in the territory of Arkansas;" to the Committee on Public Lands.

The Senate proceeded to consider, as in Committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act explanatory of an act, entitled An act to provide for the extinguishment of the debt due by the purchasers of lands, approved 18th May, 1824;" reported without amendment, and, after being reported correctly engrossed and read a third time, was *PASSED*.

Also, the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Arthur N. Henly;" reported without amendment, and ordered to a third reading.

Mr. LLOYD, of Mass. submitted the following resolutions for consideration: *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Navy be directed to report to the Senate, at an early period of the ensuing session of Congress, such information as may be in the possession of the Department, as he may think proper to communicate, relative to the expediency of constructing at one of the Navy Yards of the United States, a dry dock, of sufficient capacity for receiving, examining, and repairing ships of the line, and to report on the usefulness, economy, and necessity of a dry dock; the best location therefor, and the probable expense of constructing such dry dock, of the size aforesaid, in a solid and durable manner, and with the needful appendages for an advantageous use of the same.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Navy be directed to report to the Senate, at the commencement of the next session of Congress, a statement shewing the amount of travelling expenses and other allowances received by the officers of the Navy and of the Marine Corps, over the monthly pay and rations, to which they are by law entitled in each year, for the last three years.

The emoluments which have been received in each year for the same period, so far as the same can be ascertained by the Officers of the Navy and the Marine Corps, as well from the Government as from other sources, in consequence of their official stations.

The expense of courts martial in the Navy and Marine Corps, in each year for the same period, with the amount paid to Judge Advocates and others, for their attendance and services; designating the places at which such courts martial were ordered to be held, and the stations from which the officers composing the same were detailed to attend.

The number of desertions from the Marine Corps, and the number of rank and file confined for imprisonment, as a punishment for desertion or misconduct for each year during the same period, and also to report his opinion on such alterations, or further provisions of law, as he may consider it expedient to be made, in order to promote a more perfect discipline in the Navy and Marine Corps, to prevent the frequent recurrence of courts martial, and ensure to the public service in the said establishments the highest degree of economy and efficiency.

Mr. BENTON, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, to whom was referred the bill to fix the western boundary line of the territory of Arkansas, reported it with an amendment, which was read, and the bill considered as in Committee of the whole; and the amendment being agreed to, the bill was reported to the Senate, and after being reported by the Committee correctly engrossed, the title was amended, and the bill read a third time and *PASSED*.

The Senate proceeded to consider, as in Committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled An act for the establishment of a territorial Government in Florida, and for other purposes," and the same being amended, and reported correctly engrossed, was read the third time and *PASSED*.

The Senate resumed, as in Committee of the whole, the resolution "providing a place of deposit for the portrait of Columbus, and directing the distribution of certain copies of the Declaration of Independence now in the Department of State;" and the same having been amended, it was reported to the Senate; the amendments were concurred in, and the resolution being reported correctly engrossed, was read a third time, and *PASSED*.

The Senate proceeded to consider, as in Committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act granting to the counties or parishes of each state and territories of the United States, in which the public lands are situated, the right of pre-emption to quarter sections of land for seats of justice within the same," reported to the Senate without amendment, and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate proceeded to consider the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill, entitled "An act to enable the President of the United States to hold treaties with certain Indian tribes, and for other purposes," and concurred therein.

Also, the amendments of the House of Representatives to the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Alexander McNair, and concurred therein.

The bill from the House of Representatives, entitled "An act to alter the times of holding the circuit and district courts of the United States, for the District of South-Carolina;" was read the third time, and *PASSED*.

The bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Nimrod Farrow and Richard Harris," having been reported correctly engrossed, was read the third time, and *PASSED*.

The bill, entitled "An act to complete the survey of the southern and western boundary of the state of Missouri," reported correctly engrossed, was read the third time, and *PASSED*.

The bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the legal representatives of Thomas Robinson, deceased;" reported correctly engrossed, was read the third time, and *PASSED*.

Bills from the House, entitled, 1st. "An act to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to exchange a stock bearing an interest of four and a half per cent. for certain stocks bearing an interest of six per cent." 2d. "An act authorizing the employment of additional clerks, and certain messengers and assistants, and other persons in the several departments." 3d. "An act to establish Bowdoinham in the state of Maine, Troy and Hudson, in the state of New-York, and Fairport, in the state of Ohio, ports of delivery; and, 4th. "An act granting a tract of land to the parish of West Baton Rouge on certain conditions," were severally read twice by unanimous consent, and referred, the 1st and 2d, to the Committee on Finance; the 3d, to the Committee on Commerce and Manufactures, and the 4th, to the Committee on Public Lands.

The Senate resumed, as in Committee of the whole, the bills, entitled "An act for the relief of John Holliday," and "An act for the relief of Samuel Cleveland, junr. severally reported without amendment, and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate proceeded, as in Committee of the whole, to consider the bill, entitled "An act changing the mode of surveying the public lands, on any river, lake, bay or water course, in the State of Mississippi and Territory of Arkansas," together with the amendment reported thereto by the Committee on Public Lands, and having agreed to the amendment, the bill was reported to the Senate; and the amendment being concurred in, it was ordered to be engrossed, and the bill read a third time, as amended.

The Senate proceeded to consider, as in Committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act to authorize masters of vessels, in certain cases, to clear out either at the custom-house of Petersburg, or that of Richmond," together with the amendment reported thereto by the Committee on Commerce and Manufactures; and having agreed thereto, the bill was reported to the Senate; and the amendment being concurred in, ordered to be engrossed, and the bill to be read a third time, as amended.

Also, "An act to alter the Judicial Districts of Pennsylvania, and for other purposes;" "An act to provide for the sale of lands conveyed to the United States, in certain cases, and for other purposes;" "An act for the relief of the corporation of the Church of St. Anne, and to authorize the extension of Larned street, in the town of Detroit;" which were, severally, reported to the Senate without amendment, and ordered to a third reading.

Also the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to an act, approved 3d of March, 1819, entitled 'An act providing for the correction of errors, in making entries of land at the Land Offices;" amended, reported to the Senate, and the amendment being concurred in, ordered to be engrossed, and the bill to be read a third time.

Also, "An act to authorize the President to exchange five arpents of land on the south side of the public lot at Baton Rouge, for an equal quantity of land on the north side of said lot;" "An act for the benefit of the Columbian Institution;" "An act to allow the bounty to vessels employed in the cod fisheries, in certain cases;" "An act further to regulate the inspection of flour in the county of Alexandria;" "An act to authorize the President of the United States to enter into certain negotiations, relative to lands located under Virginia Military Land Warrants, lying between Roberts' and Ludlow's lines, in the State of Ohio;" "An act to regulate the fees of the Registers of Wills, in the several counties within the District of Columbia;" which were, severally, reported to the Senate without amendment, and ordered to a third reading.

Also, the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the act to incorporate the inhabitants of the city of Washington, passed the 15th of May, 1820," together with the amendment reported thereto by the Committee on the District of Columbia; and the said amendment having been amended, it was agreed to, and the bill was further amended and reported to the Senate; and the amendments being concurred in, were ordered to be engrossed, and the bill to be read a third time.

Also, the bill, entitled "An act making an appropriation for the extinguishment of the Quaupau title to lands in the Territory of Arkansas;" reported to the Senate without amendment, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills from the House, entitled An act for the relief of Joseph M. White, and William Davidson; An act to regulate the mode of practice in the Courts of the United States, for the District of Louisiana; An act for the relief of certain distillers in the United States, were severally read twice by unanimous consent, and referred—the two first to the Committee on the Judiciary, the last to the Committee on Finance.

On motion, by Mr. BARBOUR, *Ordered*, That the Committee on Foreign Relations be discharged from the consideration of the several petitions and memorials, praying indemnity for losses sustained by French Spoliations; as also from the memorial of Alexander Moore, and others, of Alexandria; the petition of Conrad Ten Eyck, and the bill for the relief of Samuel Gilbert.

The Senate proceeded, as in Committee of the whole, to consider the bill, entitled "An act granting certain lots of ground to the corporation of the city of Mobile, and to certain individuals of said city," reported to the Senate without amendment, and ordered to a third reading.

On motion, the Senate adjourned to 5 o'clock in the evening.

FIVE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Senate proceeded to consider, as in Committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John Mitchell," amended; reported to the Senate, and the amendment being concurred in, ordered to be engrossed, and the bill to be read a third time, to-morrow. Also, the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Samuel Riet;" indefinitely postponed.



**NAYS, 15.**—Messrs. Bell, Benton, Branch, Chandler, Clayton, Eaton, Elliott, Hayne, King of Alab. King of N. Y. Knight, Macon, Palmer, Parrott, and Smith.

Mr. **MILLS**, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John Mitchell;" reported it without amendment.

On motion, by Mr. **HAYNE**, *Ordered*, that the Committee on Naval Affairs be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Peter Trezevant, and that it be referred to the fourth Auditor of the Treasury, to consider and report thereon to the Senate.

The Senate proceeded to consider, as in Committee of the whole, the bill in further addition to "An act to establish a uniform rule of naturalization, and to repeal the acts heretofore passed on that subject;" and the same having been amended, it was reported to the Senate, and the amendments being concurred in, the bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

The Senate proceeded to consider their amendment to the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of J. Ottramare, disagreed to by the House of Representatives, and receded therefrom.

The bill from the House of Representatives, entitled "An act to authorize the creation of a stock to an amount not exceeding five millions of dollars, to provide for the awards of the Commissioners under the treaty with Spain of the 22d February, 1819;" was read the third time, and *PASSED*—Yeas 31, Nays 4.

**YEAS, 31.**—Messrs. Barbour, Barton, Bell, Chandler, D'Wolf, Dickerson, Eaton, Edwards, Elliott, Findlay, Gaillard, Hayne, Holmes of Me. Holmes of Miss. Jackson, Johnson of Ky. H. Johnson, J. S. Johnston, Kelly, King of Alab. Lowrie, Melville, Mills, Palmer, Parrott, Ruggles, Seymour, Smith, Talbot, Taylor of Ind. and Thomas.

**NAYS, 4.**—Messrs. Benton, Brown, Macon, and Noble.

The amendments to the bill from the House of Representatives, entitled "An act to improve the navigation of the Ohio and Mississippi rivers," having been reported by the Committee correctly engrossed; the bill was read the third time, as amended, and *PASSED*.

The Senate proceeded to consider the following bills, as in Committee of the whole, viz: The bill to establish a Surveyor Generals Office in the territory of Arkansas—postponed indefinitely; the bill for the relief of the Columbian College, in the District of Columbia—reported without amendment; the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of George Fisher," together with the amendment reported thereto, by the Committee on Public Lands, which were agreed to, and the bill having been further amended, was reported to the Senate, and the amendments being concurred in, *Ordered*, to be engrossed, and the bill read a third time as amended; the bill authorizing the subscription of stock in the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company—laid on the table; the bill to fix the western boundary line of the territory of Arkansas; reported with amendments, which were concurred in, and the bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; the bill to authorize the painting of the Battle of New-Orleans, by John Vanderlyn—laid on the table; the bill to sell and dispose of the refuse lands of the United States—laid on the table; the bill to amend an act supplemental to an act, entitled "An act to carry into effect the ninth article of a treaty concluded between the United States and Spain, 22d February, 1819;" approved 3d March, 1823; and the same having been amended, was reported to the Senate, and the amendments being concurred in, *Ordered*, to be engrossed and read a third time; the bill to extinguish Indian claims to lands within the state of Missouri; reported without amendment, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

The resolution authorizing the Secretary of State to furnish a copy of Tanner's American Atlas to each of the Ministers Plenipotentiary and Charge d'Affaires of the United States, at Foreign Courts; amended and reported to the Senate; the amendment being concurred in, *Ordered* to be engrossed and read a third time.

The bill for the relief of Joseph Forrest; amended and reported to the Senate; the amendment being concurred in, *Ordered* to be engrossed and read a third time.

After the consideration of Executive business, *Adjourned*.

### Saturday, May 22d, 1824.—126th day.

Mr. **DICKERSON**, from the Committee on Commerce and Manufactures, to whom were referred the bills, entitled "An act to revive and continue in force the first, second, third, fourth, fifth and seventh sections of the act, entitled "An act further to provide for the collection of duties on imports and tonnage, passed 3d March, 1815;" and the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the building of light houses, light vessels and beacons therein mentioned, and for other purposes;" reported the former without amendment, and the latter with amendments, which were read.

Bills from the House of the following titles, viz:—1st, An act to discontinue certain post roads and to establish others; and 2d, An act to authorize the surveying and making of a road from a point in the northwestern boundary of the State of Ohio, near the foot of the rapids of the Miami of Lake Erie to Detroit, in the territory of Michigan;" were severally read twice and referred; the first to the Committee on Post Office and Post Roads; the second to the Select Committee on Roads and Canals.

The Senate proceeded to consider the message of the House of Representatives, with their agreement to the report of the Joint Committee of the Senate and House of Representatives, on the distribution of the Rooms of the Centre Building of the Capitol between the two Houses; and, *Resolved*, That the Senate concur therein.

The Senate proceeded to consider, as in Committee of the whole, the bill for the relief of Nimrod Farrow and Richard Harris, and no amendment having been made, it was reported to the Senate, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. **KING**, of Alabama, from the Committee on the Public Lands, reported a bill explanatory of an act, entitled "An act to provide for the extinguishment

of the debt due to the United States, by the purchasers of public lands," approved 18th May, 1824; read twice by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded to consider the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the representatives of John Donnelson, Stephen Heard and others;" and, *Resolved*, That the Senate agree thereto.

The bill from the House, entitled "An act making an appropriation for the payment of the claims of Daniel D. Tompkins, late Governor of the State of New-York, against the United States, was read twice by unanimous consent, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The bill from the House of Representatives, entitled "An act for the relief of the assignees of John H. Piatt," was read the third time and *PASSED*.

The bill from the House of Representatives, entitled "An act providing for a grant of land for the seat of government in the territory of Florida, and for other purposes," was read the third time and *PASSED*.

The amendments to the bill from the House of Representatives, entitled "An act for the relief of George Fisher," having been reported by the Committee correctly engrossed, was read the third time as amended and *PASSED*.

The bill to amend an act, supplemental to an act, entitled "An act to carry into effect the ninth article of a treaty concluded between the United States and Spain, the 22d day of Feb. 1819, approved the 3d March, 1823," having been reported by the Committee correctly engrossed, was read the third time, amended by unanimous consent, and *PASSED*.

The bill in further addition to "An act to establish a uniform rule of naturalization, and to repeal the acts heretofore passed on that subject," having been reported correctly engrossed, was read the third time and *PASSED*.

The bill, entitled "An act to extinguish Indian claims to lands within the State of Missouri," having been reported by the Committee correctly engrossed, was read the third time and *PASSED*.

The resolution authorizing the Secretary of State, to furnish a copy of Tanner's American Atlas to each of the Ministers Plenipotentiary and Charge des Affairs at foreign governments," was read the third time and *PASSED*.

The bill to fix the western boundary line of the territory of Arkansas, having been reported correctly engrossed, was read the third time, and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Mr. **BARTON**, from the Committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred the bill to complete the survey of the southern and western boundary of the State of Missouri, reported it without amendment. The Senate proceeded to consider said bill, as in Committee of the whole, and no amendment having been proposed, it was reported to the Senate, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

The bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Joseph Forrest, having been reported correctly engrossed, was read the third time, amended by unanimous consent, and *PASSED*.

Mr. **VAN BUREN**, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom were referred the bills, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to amend an act for the establishment of a territorial government in Florida, and for other purposes;" and "An act to alter the Judicial Districts of Virginia, and for other purposes;" reported them severally without amendment.

The Senate proceeded to consider, as in Committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act to alter the times of holding the Circuit and District Courts of the United States, for the District of South Carolina," reported to the Senate without amendment, and ordered to a third reading.

Mr. **BENTON**, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act appropriating a certain sum of money to Benj. Hoffman, of the State of Indiana," reported it without amendment.

The Senate proceeded to consider, as in Committee of the whole, the bill for the relief of the legal representative of Thomas Robinson, deceased, and no amendment having been made thereto, it was reported to the Senate, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

After the consideration of Executive business, *Adjourned*.

### Monday, May 24th, 1824.—127th day.

Mr. **BRANCH** and Mr. **JACKSON** obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Commerce and Manufactures, be discharged from the several memorials for and against imposing duties on sales at auction, and also from the memorial of the Chamber of Commerce of Philadelphia, praying for the construction of a harbour near the capes of Delaware.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed for enrolled bills on the part of the Senate, in place of Mr. **KNIGHT**, absent; and Mr. **EATON** was appointed.

Mr. **SMITH**, from the Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act making an appropriation for the payment of the claims of Daniel D. Tompkins, late Governor of New-York against the United States," reported it without amendment.

On motion, by Mr. **EDWARDS**, *Ordered*, That William Eaton have leave to withdraw his petition and papers.

Mr. **EATON** gave notice, that to-morrow he would ask leave to bring in a resolution directing the Secretary to pay out of the contingent fund of the Senate, one thousand dollars to Enrico Causici.

On motion, by Mr. **JACKSON**, *Ordered*, That the Committee on Military Affairs, be discharged from the consideration of the report of the Secretary of War, on the subject of arms furnished the United States by South-Carolina.

Mr. **BARTON** presented the memorial of John Ross and others, a Delegation from the Cherokee nation of Indians, praying authority from Congress, if they do not now possess it, so far as to enable them to regulate by law, their municipal concerns by taxing merchants and pedlars trading within their nation, and the memorial was read and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

On motion, by Mr. **LANMAN**, *Ordered*, That three members be added to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads, in place of Mr. **Knight**, Mr. **Johnson** of Ky. and Mr. **M'Ilvaine** absent. And Mr. **Thomas**, Mr. **Clayton**, and Mr. **Ware**, were appointed:



On motion, by Mr. HOLMES, of Maine, *Ordered*, That a member be added to the Committee on the Judiciary, in place of Mr. Talbot, absent, and Mr. Van Dyke was appointed.

*Ordered*, That the bill from the House, entitled "An act making an appropriation for the use of the Library of Congress, and for furnishing rooms in the Capitol," be referred to the Joint Library Committee.

The bill from the House, entitled "An act to allow a salary to the collectors of the Districts of Nantucket and Pensacola, and to abolish the office of surveyor of the District of Pensacola;" to the Committee on Commerce and Manufactures.

The bill from the House, entitled "An act to authorize the legal representatives of the Marquis de Maison Rouge, and those claiming under him, to institute a suit against the United States and for other purposes;" to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The bills from the House, entitled "An act making appropriations to carry into effect certain Indian treaties;" "An act making further appropriations for the military service of the United States, for the year 1824, and for other purposes;" to the Committee on Finance.

The bills, entitled "An act to establish an additional land office in the state of Missouri;" "An act granting a tract of land to the inhabitants of the Parish of Point Coupee on certain conditions;" "An act reserving to the Wyandot tribe of Indians a certain tract of land, in lieu of a reservation made to them by treaty;" and "An act concerning pre-emption rights in the territory of Arkansas;" to the Committee on Public Lands.

The Senate proceeded to consider, as in Committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act explanatory of an act, entitled An act to provide for the extinguishment of the debt due by the purchasers of lands, approved 18th May, 1824;" reported without amendment, and, after being reported correctly engrossed and read a third time, was **PASSED**.

Also, the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Arthur N. Henly;" reported without amendment, and ordered to a third reading.

Mr. LLOYD, of Mass. submitted the following resolutions for consideration: *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Navy be directed to report to the Senate, at an early period of the ensuing session of Congress, such information as may be in the possession of the Department, as he may think proper to communicate, relative to the expediency of constructing at one of the Navy Yards of the United States, a dry dock, of sufficient capacity for receiving, examining, and repairing ships of the line, and to report on the usefulness, economy, and necessity of a dry dock; the best location therefor, and the probable expense of constructing such dry dock, of the size aforesaid, in a solid and durable manner, and with the needful appendages for an advantageous use of the same.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Navy be directed to report to the Senate, at the commencement of the next session of Congress, a statement shewing the amount of travelling expenses and other allowances received by the officers of the Navy and of the Marine Corps, over the monthly pay and rations, to which they are by law entitled in each year, for the last three years.

The emoluments which have been received in each year for the same period, so far as the same can be ascertained by the Officers of the Navy and the Marine Corps, as well from the Government as from other sources, in consequence of their official stations.

The expense of courts martial in the Navy and Marine Corps, in each year for the same period, with the amount paid to Judge Advocates and others, for their attendance and services; designating the places at which such courts martial were ordered to be held, and the stations from which the officers composing the same were detailed to attend.

The number of desertions from the Marine Corps, and the number of rank and file confined for imprisonment, as a punishment for desertion or misconduct for each year during the same period, and also to report his opinion on such alterations, or further provisions of law, as he may consider it expedient to be made, in order to promote a more perfect discipline in the Navy and Marine Corps, to prevent the frequent recurrence of courts martial, and ensure to the public service in the said establishments the highest degree of economy and efficiency.

Mr. BENTON, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, to whom was referred the bill to fix the western boundary line of the territory of Arkansas, reported it with an amendment, which was read, and the bill considered as in Committee of the whole; and the amendment being agreed to, the bill was reported to the Senate, and after being reported by the Committee correctly engrossed, the title was amended, and the bill read a third time and **PASSED**.

The Senate proceeded to consider, as in Committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled An act for the establishment of a territorial Government in Florida, and for other purposes," and the same being amended, and reported correctly engrossed, was read the third time and **PASSED**.

The Senate resumed, as in Committee of the whole, the resolution "providing a place of deposit for the portrait of Columbus; and directing the distribution of certain copies of the Declaration of Independence now in the Department of State;" and the same having been amended, it was reported to the Senate; the amendments were concurred in, and the resolution being reported correctly engrossed, was read a third time, and **PASSED**.

The Senate proceeded to consider, as in Committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act granting to the counties or parishes of each state and territories of the United States, in which the public lands are situated, the right of pre-emption to quarter sections of land for seats of justice within the same," reported to the Senate without amendment, and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate proceeded to consider the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill, entitled "An act to enable the President of the United States to hold treaties with certain Indian tribes, and for other purposes," and concurred therein.

Also, the amendments of the House of Representatives to the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Alexander McNair, and concurred therein.

The bill from the House of Representatives, entitled "An act to alter the times of holding the circuit and district courts of the United States, for the District of South-Carolina;" was read the third time, and **PASSED**.

The bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Nimrod Farrow and Richard Harris," having been reported correctly engrossed, was read the third time, and **PASSED**.

The bill, entitled "An act to complete the survey of the southern and western boundary of the state of Missouri," reported correctly engrossed, was read the third time, and **PASSED**.

The bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the legal representatives of Thomas Robinson, deceased;" reported correctly engrossed, was read the third time, and **PASSED**.

Bills from the House, entitled, 1st. "An act to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to exchange a stock bearing an interest of four and a half per cent. for certain stocks bearing an interest of six per cent." 2d. "An act authorizing the employment of additional clerks, and certain messengers and assistants, and other persons in the several departments." 3d. "An act to establish Bowdoinham in the state of Maine, Troy and Hudson, in the state of New-York, and Fairport, in the state of Ohio, ports of delivery; and, 4th. "An act granting a tract of land to the parish of West Baton Rouge on certain conditions," were severally read twice by unanimous consent, and referred, the 1st and 2d, to the Committee on Finance; the 3d, to the Committee on Commerce and Manufactures, and the 4th, to the Committee on Public Lands.

The Senate resumed, as in Committee of the whole, the bills, entitled "An act for the relief of John Holliday," and "An act for the relief of Samuel Cleveland, junr. severally reported without amendment, and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate proceeded, as in Committee of the whole, to consider the bill, entitled "An act changing the mode of surveying the public lands, on any river, lake, bay or water course, in the State of Mississippi and Territory of Arkansas," together with the amendment reported thereto by the Committee on Public Lands, and having agreed to the amendment, the bill was reported to the Senate; and the amendment being concurred in, it was ordered to be engrossed, and the bill read a third time, as amended.

The Senate proceeded to consider, as in Committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act to authorize masters of vessels, in certain cases, to clear out either at the custom-house of Petersburg, or that of Richmond," together with the amendment reported thereto by the Committee on Commerce and Manufactures; and having agreed thereto, the bill was reported to the Senate; and the amendment being concurred in, ordered to be engrossed, and the bill to be read a third time, as amended.

Also, "An act to alter the Judicial Districts of Pennsylvania, and for other purposes;" "An act to provide for the sale of lands conveyed to the United States, in certain cases, and for other purposes;" "An act for the relief of the corporation of the Church of St. Anne, and to authorize the extension of Larned street, in the town of Detroit;" which were, severally, reported to the Senate without amendment, and ordered to a third reading.

Also the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to an act, approved 3d of March, 1819, entitled 'An act providing for the correction of errors, in making entries of land at the Land Offices;'" amended, reported to the Senate, and the amendment being concurred in, ordered to be engrossed, and the bill to be read a third time.

Also, "An act to authorize the President to exchange five arpents of land on the south side of the public lot at Baton Rouge, for an equal quantity of land on the north side of said lot;" "An act for the benefit of the Columbian Institute;" "An act to allow the bounty to vessels employed in the cod fisheries, in certain cases;" "An act further to regulate the inspection of flour in the county of Alexandria;" "An act to authorize the President of the United States to enter into certain negotiations relative to lands located under Virginia Military Land Warrants, lying between Roberts' and Ludlow's lines, in the State of Ohio;" "An act to regulate the fees of the Registers of Wills, in the several counties within the District of Columbia;" which were, severally, reported to the Senate without amendment, and ordered to a third reading.

Also, the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the act to incorporate the inhabitants of the city of Washington, passed the 15th of May, 1820," together with the amendment reported thereto by the Committee on the District of Columbia; and the said amendment having been amended, it was agreed to, and the bill was further amended and reported to the Senate; and the amendments being concurred in, were ordered to be engrossed, and the bill to be read a third time.

Also, the bill, entitled "An act making an appropriation for the extinguishment of the Quappau title to lands in the Territory of Arkansas;" reported to the Senate without amendment, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills from the House, entitled An act for the relief of Joseph M. White, and William Davidson; An act to regulate the mode of practice in the Courts of the United States, for the District of Louisiana; An act for the relief of certain distillers in the United States, were severally read twice by unanimous consent, and referred—the two first to the Committee on the Judiciary, the last to the Committee on Finance.

On motion, by Mr. BARREUR, *Ordered*, That the Committee on Foreign Relations be discharged from the consideration of the several petitions and memorials, praying indemnity for losses sustained by French Spoliations; as also from the memorial of Alexander Moore, and others, of Alexandria; the petition of Conrad Ten Eyck, and the bill for the relief of Samuel Gilbert.

The Senate proceeded, as in Committee of the whole, to consider the bill, entitled "An act granting certain lots of ground to the corporation of the city of Mobile, and to certain individuals of said city," reported to the Senate without amendment, and ordered to a third reading.

On motion, the Senate adjourned to 5 o'clock in the evening.

FIVE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Senate proceeded to consider, as in Committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John Mitchell," amended; reported to the Senate, and the amendment being concurred in, ordered to be engrossed, and the bill to be read a third time, to-morrow. Also, the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Samuel Rist;" indefinitely postponed.



Mr. SEYMOUR submitted the following resolutions for consideration; which were twice read by unanimous consent: *Resolved*, That Robert Tweedy and George Hicks, assistants to the Sergeant-at-Arms and Door Keeper of the Senate, be paid out of the contingent fund two dollars a day for each day they have attended the Senate, during the present session of Congress; and that Tobias Simpson be paid two dollars a day from the first day of the present Session to the first day of January, for his services as assistant; and that James Tins be allowed — dollars for his attendance during the present session.

*Resolved*, That there be paid out of the contingent fund to Robert Tweedy, Tobias Simpson, and George Hicks, the sum of — dollars each, for extra services the present session.

The Senate proceeded to consider, as in Committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act to allow further time to complete the issuing and locating of Military Land Warrants," reported to the Senate without amendment, and ordered to a third reading.

Also, the bill, entitled "An act providing for the disposition of three several tracts of land in Tuscarawas county, in the State of Ohio, and for other purposes," reported to the Senate without amendment, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills from the House, entitled "An act concerning wrecks on the coast of Florida;" "An act supplementary to an act providing for the examination of titles to land in that part of the State of Louisiana, situated between the Rio Honda and the Sabine river;" and "An act granting to the corporation of Tuscaloosa, certain lots and privileges over the reservations and commons in said town;" were severally read twice by unanimous consent, and referred: the first to the Committee on Finance, and the two last to the Committee on Public Lands.

The Senate proceeded to consider the amendments of the House of Representatives to the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the several acts providing for ascertaining and adjusting the titles and claims to land in the St. Helena and Jackson Court House Land Districts," and concurred therein.

After the consideration of Executive business, *Adjourned*.

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

[CONTINUED FROM FOLIO 448.]

Mr. WRIGHT presented a petition of Wm. Liffingale, James Goodrich, Henry Daggett, Jr. and John Forbes, praying the government of the United States to procure them compensation for spoiliations committed on their lawful commerce by French cruisers previous to the year 1800; laid on the table.

Mr. BARTLETT presented a petition of Grame Reith Spence, late a Purser in the Navy of the United States, praying to be allowed and paid a sum of money which he charges as depreciation on Treasury notes, disbursed by him in the performance of his duty; referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

Mr. WEBSTER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported a bill altering the time of holding the Sessions of the Supreme Court; read the first and second time, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, to-morrow.

Mr. WEBSTER, from the same Committee, reported a bill to regulate the mode of practice in the Courts of the United States, for the district of Louisiana; read the first and second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House, to-morrow.

Mr. McLANE, of Delaware, from the Committee of Ways and Means, to which was referred the bill from the Senate, entitled "An act relative to the Patent Office, and to the salary of the Superintendent thereof," reported the same without amendment; committed to the Committee of the whole House, to which is committed the bill authorizing the employment of additional clerks and certain messengers and assistants, and other persons in the several departments.

Mr. McLANE, from the same Committee, made a report on the petition of William Russum and Clement Stanford; read, and *Resolved*, That the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted.

Mr. HOGEBOOM, from the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, made an unfavourable report on the petition of David Carswell; laid upon the table.

Mr. ARTHUR SMITH, from the same Committee, made a report on the petition of James Johnson; read, when it was *Resolved*, That the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition and documents.

Mr. HEMPHILL, from the Committee on Roads and Canals, to which was referred a memorial of the Navigation Company, for the purpose of connecting the waters of the Tennessee with those of the Alabama; as also a resolution instructing them to inquire into the expediency of making provision for connecting the waters of the Coosa and Tennessee rivers, made a report thereon; laid upon the table.

Mr. HARVEY, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, made an unfavourable report on the petition of Richard Bland Randolph; read, and laid upon the table.

Bills from the Senate of the following titles, viz:—1st, An act to permit Anna Dubord to bring certain slaves into the State of Louisiana—2d, An act for the relief of the representatives of John Donelson, Stephen Heard, and others—3d, An act for the relief of John H. Howland, of New-York—4th, An act authorizing an examination and survey of the harbour of Charleston, in South-Carolina; of St. Mary's, in Georgia, and of the coast of Florida, and for other purposes; were read the first and second time, and referred, the first, to the Committee on the Judiciary—second, to the Committee on the Public Lands—third, to the Committee of Ways and Means—fourth, to the Committee of Commerce.

The House proceeded to consider the bill to authorize the building of light houses, light vessels and beacons therein mentioned, and for other purposes.

Mr. BARTLEY moved to amend the bill by inserting therein a provision for building "a light house at the mouth of Cayahoga river, in the State of Ohio?" This amendment was disagreed to. When Mr. BARTLEY moved to amend the bill by striking out the words "at the mouth of Grand river," where it is contemplated by the bill to erect a light house, and insert, "at the most suitable place on the southern shore of Lake Erie, between Erie, in Pennsylvania, and Sandusky Bay?" This amendment was also disagreed to by the House, and the bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, to-day.

Mr. TUCKER, of Va. moved that the House do come to the following resolution, *Resolved*, That the petition of Amelie Eugenie Beaumarchais de la Rue, be referred to the President of the United States; that he be requested to cause the same to be considered in the pending negotiations with the French Government relating to the claims of American citizens for property illegally seized and confiscated, and if found to be just, then, and in that case, to be allowed in the final adjustment of the aforesaid claims. The said resolution being read, the question was put, Will the House now consider it? And was determined in the negative.

The House proceeded to consider the report of the Committee on Roads and Canals on the petition of Moses Shepherd: whereupon, it was *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Treasury be directed to make up the account of Moses Shepherd, for the work done on the Cumberland road, upon the principles adopted by the Committee in their report on the said petition; and if he should, from the facts and evidence known to him applicable to the rights of the parties, differ in opinion with the Committee in part or in whole, then, in that event, also state the account as to him shall appear to be right in equity and justice; the contract considered; and that he transmit the same to this House at the beginning of the next Session of Congress, with all the evidence and documents in his possession, that he may deem necessary to a fair and full investigation of the claim of the petitioner.

*Ordered*, That the bill providing for a grant of land for the seat of government, in the territory of Florida, and for other purposes, be engrossed and read a third time, to-morrow.

*Ordered*, That the bill granting donations of land to certain actual settlers in the territory of Florida, be engrossed and read a third time, to-morrow.

Engrossed bills of the following titles, viz: An act to revive and continue in force the first, second, third, fourth, fifth and seventh sections of the act, entitled "An act further to provide for the collection of duties on imports and tonnage," passed the third of March, 1815; and An act to authorize the building of light houses, light vessels, and beacons, therein mentioned, and for other purposes; were read the third time and *PASSED*.

A message, in writing, was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. EVERETT, his Secretary, as follows:—

To the House of Representatives of the United States:

I herewith transmit to the House of Representatives, a report of the Secretary of the Navy, together with the proceedings of a Court Martial lately held at Norfolk, for the trial of Lieut. Beverly Kennon, as requested by a resolution of the House, bearing date the 25th of April, 1824.

May 14th, 1824.

JAMES MONROE.

The said message was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole, on the bill to discontinue certain post roads, and to establish others; and after some time spent therein, the SPEAKER resumed the chair, and Mr. CONDIOT reported that the Committee had, according to order, had the said bill under consideration, and made some progress therein.

*Ordered*, That the Committee of the whole, have leave to sit again on said bill.

The House proceeded to consider the message from the Senate, in relation to the amendments depending between the two Houses, to the bill, entitled "An act to amend the several acts imposing duties on imports;" when a motion was made, that the House do recede from their disagreement to the amendments to the said bill now depending; a division of the question on this motion being called for, it was put, "Will the House recede from their disagreement to the insertion of the following proviso in the bill?" "Provided, That all manufactures of wool, or of which wool shall be a component part, the actual value of which, at the place whence imported, shall not exceed thirty three and a third cents per square yard, shall be charged with a duty of twenty-five per centum ad valorem?" When there appeared—Yeas 94, Nays 93.

YEAS, 94.—Messrs. Abbot, Alexander, of Va. Allen, of Mass. Allen, of Tenn. Archer, Baylies, P. P. Barbour, J. S. Barbour, Bartlett, Blair, Brent, Burleigh, Burton, Cambreleng, Campbell, of S. C. Carter, Cary, Cocke, Conner, Crowninshield, Culpeper Cushman, Cuthbert, Day, Durfee, Dwinell, Eddy, Edwards, of N. C. Forsyth, Frost, Garnett, Gatlin, Gist, Govan, Gurley, Hamilton, Herick, Hobart, Hogeboom, Holcombe, Hooks, Isaacs, Kent, Lee, Leftwich, Lincoln, Litchfield, Livermore, Livingston, Locke, Long, Longfellow, McCoy, McDuffie, McKee, McKim, Mangum, Mercer, Mitchell, of Md. Moore, of Ala. Morgan, Neale, Newton, Owen, Plumer, of N. H. Poinsett, Rankin, Reed, Reynolds, Rose, Saunders, Sandford, Sharpe, Sibley, Arthur Smith, Alex. Smyth, William Smith, Spaight, Spence, Standefer, A. Stevenson, Taliaferro, Tattinall, Thompson, of Geo. Thompson, of Ken. Tucker, of Va. Tucker, of S. C. Vance, of N. C. Warfield, Webster, Williams, of N. Y. Williams, of Va. Williams, of N. C. and Wilson, of S. C.

NAYS, 93.—Messrs. Adams, Alexander, of Ten. Barber, of Con. Bartley, Beecher, Brown, Buchanan, Buck, Buckner, Cady, Campbell, of Ohio, Cassidy, Collins, Condict, Cook, Crafts, Craig, Eaton, Edwards, of Pen. Ellis, Farrelly, Findlay, Foot, of Con. Forward, Garrison, Gazlay, Harris, Harvey, Hayden, Hemphill, Henry, Herkimer, Ingham, Jenkins, Jennings, Johnson of Va. J. T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Kidder, Kremer, Lawrence, Letcher, Little, McArthur, McKean, McLane of Del. McLean of Ohio, Markley, Martindale, Marvin, Matlack, Matson, Metcalfe, Miller, Mitchell, of Pen. Moore, Ken. Nelson, Patterson, of Penn. Patterson, of Ohio, Plumer, of Penn. Prince, Richards, Rich, Ross, Scott, Sloan, Sterling, Stewart, Stoddard, Strong, Swan, Taylor, Ten Eyck, Test, Tod, Tomlinson, Tracy, Trimble, Tyson, Vance, of Ohio, Van Wyck, Vinton, Wayne, Whipple, Whitman, Whittlesey, White, Wickliffe, James Wilson, Wilson, of Ohio, Wood, Woods, and Wright.

The SPEAKER voted in the negative, by which an equal division was produced, and the question was thereby decided in the negative.

The question was then put, "Will the House recede from their disagreement to so much of the sixteenth amendment of the Senate, as proposes to strike from the said bill these words: "on cotton bagging a duty of four and a half cents per square yard?" And was determined in the negative—Yeas 87, Nays 103.



**YEAS, 87.**—Messrs. Abbot, Alexander, of Va. Allen of Mass. Archer, Baylies, P. P. Barbour, J. S. Barbour, Bartlett, Brent, Burleigh, Burton, Cambreleng, Campbell, of S. C. Carter, Cary, Conner, Crowninshield, Culpeper, Cushman, Cuthbert, Day, Durfee, Dwinell, Eddy, Edwards, of N. C. Foot, of Conn. Forsyth, Frost, Garnett, Gatlin, Gist, Govan, Gurley, Hall, Hamilton, Herrick, Hobart, Hogeboom, Holcombe, Hooks, Kent, Lee, Leftwich, Litchfield, Livermore, Livingston, Locke, Long, Longfellow, McCoy, McDuffie, McKee, McKim, McLane, of Del. Mangum, Mercer, Moore, of Ala. Morgan, Neale, Nelson, Newton, Owen, Plumer, of N. H. Poinsett, Rankin, Reed, Saunders, Sandford, Sharpe, Sibley, Arthur Smith, Alex. Smyth, Wm. Smith, Spaight, Spence, A. Stevenson, Taliaferro, Tattall, Thompson, of Geo. Tucker, of Va. Tucker, of S. C. Warfield, Webster, Williams, of N. Y. Williams, of N. C. and Wilson, of S. C.

**NAYS, 103.**—Messrs. Adams, Alexander, of Tenn. Allen, of Tenn. Allison, Barber, of Conn. Bartley, Beecher, Blair, Brown, Buchanan, Buck, Buckner, Cady, Campbell, of Ohio, Cassedy, Cocke, Collins, Condict, Cook, Crafts, Craig, Eaton, Edwards, of Penn. Ellis, Farrelly, Findlay, Forward, Garrison, Gazlay, Harris, Harvey, Hayden, Hemphill, Henry, Herkimer, Houston, Ingham, Isaacs, Jenkins, Johnson, of Va. J. T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Kidder, Kremer, Lawrence, Letcher, Lincoln, Little, McArthur, McKean, McLean, of Ohio, Mallary, Markley, Martindale, Marvin, Matlack, Matson, Metcalfe, Miller, Mitchell, of Penn. Mitchell, of Md. Moore, of Ken. Patterson, of Penn. Patterson, of Ohio, Plumer, Penn. Prince, Reynolds, Richards, Rich, Rose, Ross, Scott, Sloan, Standefer, Sterling, Stewart, Stoddard, Strong, Swan, Taylor, Ten Eyck, Test, Thompson, of Ken. Tod, Tomlinson, Tracy, Trimble, Tyson, Vance, of N. C. Vance, of Ohio, Van Wyck, Vinton, Wayne, Whipple, Whitman, Whittlesey, White, Wickliffe, James Wilson, Wilson, of Ohio, Wood, Woods, and Wright.

*Resolved*, That a conference be asked with the Senate upon the subject matter of the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the bill aforesaid, and that Managers be appointed to attend the said conference on the part of this House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Taylor, Mr. Tod, Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Trimble, and Mr. Beecher, be the said Managers.

The bill from the Senate, entitled "An act for the relief of Alexander Scott, late collector of Pensacola;" was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

The joint resolution from the Senate to authorize the purchase of a certain number of the copies of the Journals of Congress, from 1774 to 1788, was read the first and second time, and referred to Mr. Taylor, Mr. Vance of Ohio, Mr. Wickliffe, Mr. Wood, and Mr. Alex. Smyth.

The House proceeded to consider the message from the Senate, informing of their disagreement to the second amendment proposed by this House to the bill from the Senate, entitled "An act for the relief of Dean Weymouth;" whereupon, it was *Resolved*, That this House do recede from their said second amendment.

Also, the message from the Senate; informing of their adherence to their amendment to the bill of this House, entitled "An act concerning invalid pensions," disagreed to in part by this House; whereupon it was *Resolved*, That this House do recede from their amendment to the amendment of the Senate to the said bill, and that they do agree to the same.

The amendment proposed by the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of J. Ottramare;" was read and referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

The amendment proposed by the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John S. Moffitt;" was read, and also referred to the Committee of Ways and Means. *Adjourned*.

### Tuesday, May 18th, 1824—132d day.

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Commerce be discharged from the further consideration of the bill from the Senate, entitled "An act authorizing an examination and survey of the harbour of Charleston, South-Carolina, of St. Mary's Georgia, and of the coast of Florida and for other purposes," and that it be referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, be discharged from the consideration of the petitions of Benj. Bird and Thomas James Douglass; and that leave be given to withdraw the same.

Mr. CASSELY, from the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, made an unfavourable report on the petition of Donald McDonald; read, and laid upon the table.

Mr. ARTHUR SMITH, from the same Committee, made an unfavourable report on the petition of Wm. Cole, and of John Smith and others, on his behalf; laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. J. T. JOHNSON, *Resolved*, That the Clerk of this House, be authorized and directed to pay to each messenger for his extra services fifty dollars in addition to what was allowed at the end of the last session.

A motion was made by Mr. CONNER, that the House do now proceed to consider the resolution from the Senate, "fixing the time for an adjournment of Congress?" And the question being put, it passed in the affirmative—Yeas 99, Nays 73.

**YEAS, 99.**—Messrs. Alexander of Tenn. Allen of Mass. Allen of Tenn. Baylies, Barber of Conn. Blair, Brent, Brown, Buchanan, Buck, Buckner, Burleigh, Campbell of S. C. Campbell of Ohio, Collins, Conner, Crowninshield, Culpeper, Cushman, Durfee, Foot of Conn. Frost, Garnett, Gatlin, Gazlay, Gist, Gurley, Hamilton, Harris, Harvey, Hayden, Hemphill, Henry, Herkimer, Hobart, Hooks, Houston, Isaacs, Johnson of Va. J. T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Kremer, Lawrence, Lee, Leftwich, Letcher, Lincoln, Little, Livermore, Locke, Long, McArthur, McKim, McLean of Ohio, Mallary, Martindale, Mercer, Metcalfe, Mitchell of Penn. Moore of Ken. Moore of Ala. Neale, Nelson, Owen, Patterson of Penn. Plumer of N. H. Prince, Rankin, Reed, Reynolds, Saunders, Sandford, Sharpe, Sibley, Arthur Smith, Wm. Smith, Standefer, Sterling, Stoddard, Taliaferro, Ten Eyck, Test, Tomlinson, Trimble, Tucker of S. C. Tyson, Vance of N. C. Vinton, Warfield, Wayne, Webster, Whipple, White, Wickliffe,

Williams, of N. Y. Williams of N. C. Wilson of S. C. Wilson of Ohio, and Wood.

**NAYS, 73.**—Messrs. Abbot, Adams, Alexander of Va. Archer, P. P. Barbour, Bartlett, Bartley, Beecher, Burton, Cady, Cambreleng, Cary, Cassedy, Cobb, Cocke, Condict, Cook, Crafts, Craig, Cuthbert, Day, Dwinell, Eaton, Eddy, Edwards of Penn. Edwards of N. C. Findlay, Foote of N. Y. Forward, Garrison, Hall, Herrick, Hogeboom, Ingham, Jenkins, Kidder, Litchfield, McCoy, McLane of Del. Mangum, Marvin, Matlack, Matson, Miller, Newton, Patterson of Ohio, Plumer of Penn. Poinsett, Richards, Rich, Rose, Ross, Sloan, Alex. Smyth, Spaight, A. Stevenson, J. Stephenson, Strong, Swan, Tattall, Taylor, Thompson of Geo. Tod, Udree, Vance of Ohio, Whitman, Whittlesey Williams of Va. James Wilson, Henry Wilson, Woods, and Wright.

The question was then put, "Will the House agree to the amendment recommended by the Joint Committee, to which the said resolution was referred, to wit: to strike out the words "on the fifteenth day of May next," instant, the day fixed in the said resolution for the adjournment of Congress, and to insert on Wednesday the 19th day of May inst. and was decided in the negative.

Mr. WARFIELD, then moved to amend the resolution by striking out the said words, "on the fifteenth day of May next," and inserting the words on the thirty-first day of May instant;" when Mr. MANGUM moved that the said resolution be laid on the table; and the question being put, it was determined in the negative—Yeas 71, Nays 114.

**YEAS, 71.**—Messrs. Abbot, Alexander of Va. Archer, P. P. Barbour, J. S. Barbour, Burton, Cambreleng, Carter, Cary, Cassedy, Cobb, Cocke, Collins, Condict, Crafts, Craig, Cuthbert, Day, Dwinell, Eaton, Eddy, Edwards of Penn. Edwards of N. C. Ellis, Foote of N. Y. Forsyth, Forward, Garrison, Gatlin, Hall, Herrick, Hogeboom, Ingham, Jenkins, F. Johnson, Litchfield, Livingston, Locke, McCoy, McDuffie, McLane of Del. Mangum, Markley, Marvin, Matlack, Matson, Miller, Plumer of Penn. Poinsett, Richards, Rich, Rose, Ross, Scott, Sloan, Spaight, A. Stevenson, J. Stephenson, Swan, Tattall, Thompson of Geo. Tod, Tucker of Va. Udree, Vance of N. C. Vance of Ohio, Whitman, Williams of Va. Williams of N. C. Woods and Wright.

**NAYS, 114.**—Messrs. Alexander of Tenn. Allen of Mass. Allen of Tenn. Allison, Baylies, Barber of Conn. Bartlett, Bartley, Beecher, Blair, Brent, Brown, Buchanan, Buck, Buckner, Burleigh, Cady, Campbell of S. C. Campbell of Ohio, Conner, Cook, Crowninshield, Culpeper, Cushman, Durfee, Farrelly, Findlay, Foot, Conn. Frost, Garnett, Gazlay, Gist, Govan, Gurley, Hamilton, Harris, Harvey, Hayden, Hemphill, Henry, Herkimer, Hobart, Holcombe, Hooks, Houston, Isaacs, Johnson of Va. J. T. Johnson, Kent, Kidder, Kremer, Lawrence, Lee, Leftwich, Letcher, Lincoln, Little, Livermore, Long, McArthur, McKean, McKim, McLean of Ohio, Mallary, Martindale, Mercer, Metcalfe, Mitchell of Penn. Mitchell, of Md. Moore of Ken. Neale, Nelson, Newton, Owen, Patterson of Penn. Patterson of Ohio, Plumer of N. H. Prince, Rankin, Reed, Reynolds, Saunders, Sandford, Sharpe, Sibley, Arthur Smith, Alex. Smyth, Wm. Smith, Spence, Standefer, Sterling, Stewart, Taliaferro, Taylor, Ten Eyck, Test, Tomlinson, Trimble, Tucker, of S. C. Tyson, Van Wyck, Vinton, Warfield, Wayne, Webster, Whittlesey, White, Wickliffe, Williams of N. Y. James Wilson, Henry Wilson, Wilson of S. C. Wilson of Ohio and Wood.

Mr. WARFIELD then withdrew his motion.

A motion was made by Mr. FORSYTH, to amend the resolution by striking out the said words, "on the 15th day of May next," and inserting "on the seventh day of June next?" and on the question to agree to this amendment, it was decided in the negative.

Mr. WILLIAMS, of N. C. then moved to amend the said resolution as to fix the first day of June next for the adjournment of Congress; this motion was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. ALLEN, of Mass. the resolution was then amended by striking out the aforesaid words, "on the 15th day of May next," so as to leave the same in blank; when a motion was made by Mr. FARRELLY, to fill the blank thus created, with the words "Thursday, the 27th day of May instant?" And the question being put, it passed in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the amendment be engrossed, and the resolution read a third time, to-day.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. CUTTS, their Secretary:

Mr. SPEAKER, the Senate have agreed to the conference asked by this House upon the subject matter of the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments depending to the bill, entitled "An act to amend the several acts imposing duties on imports," and have appointed managers to attend at the said conference on their part; and then he withdrew.

*Ordered*, That the Managers at the conference aforesaid on the part of this House, have leave to sit during the session of the House.

A message in writing was also received from the President of the United States, By Mr. EVERETT, as follows:

To the House of Representatives of the United States:

I communicate to the House a report with accompanying documents received from Alexander Hamilton, one of the Commissioners of land titles in East Florida; deeming the statements therein contained to be worthy of the particular attention of the House; and of a nature which may perhaps require their interposition, or that of both branches of the Legislature.

Washington, 18th May, 1824.

JAMES MONROE.

The message being read, was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Engrossed bills of the following titles, viz: An act providing for a grant of land for the seat of Government in the territory of Florida, and for other purposes; An act granting donations of land to certain actual settlers in the territory of Florida; An act altering the time of holding the sessions of the Supreme Court; were read the third time and PASSED.

The joint resolution from the Senate, fixing a time for an adjournment; was read the third time, and passed with an amendment.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the whole, on the bill to discontinue certain post routes, and to establish others; and after some time spent therein, the SPEAKER resumed the chair, and Mr. CONDUCT reported



that the Committee had, according to order, again had the said bill under consideration, and made further progress therein.

*Ordered*, That the Committee of the whole, have leave to sit again on the said bill.

*Ordered*, That the Committee of the whole House, to which is committed the bill to alter the Judicial Districts of Virginia, and for other purposes, be discharged from the further consideration thereof. *Adjourned*.

### Wednesday, May 19th, 1824.—133d day.

Mr. McLANE, of Del. from the Committee of Ways and Means, to which was referred the amendment of the Senate to the bill, for the relief of J. Ottramare, reported their disagreement to the same; and the question being taken, will the House concur in the report of the Committee of Ways and Means, it was determined in the affirmative.

Mr. McLANE, of Del. from the same Committee, to which was referred the amendment of the Senate to the bill for the relief of John S. Moffit, reported their agreement to the said amendment; and the amendment being read, was concurred in by the House.

Mr. McLANE, of Del. from the same Committee, to which was referred the bill from the Senate, entitled "An act for the relief of John H. Howland, of New York," reported the same without amendment: committed to a Committee of the whole House, to-morrow.

Mr. RICH, from the Committee of Claims, to which was referred the bill from the Senate, entitled "An act for the relief of Alexander McNair," reported the same with an amendment: committed to a committee of the whole House to-morrow.

Mr. POINSETT, from the Committee on Foreign Affairs, to which was referred so much of the President's Message as relates to "Piracies, by which our commerce in the neighborhood of the Island of Cuba has been afflicted," and to the depredations which have been committed on the lawful commerce of the United States, under other pretences and other colour, in the neighbouring island of Porto Rico, made a report thereon, which was read and laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. LITTLE, *Ordered*, That the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of Abraham Seranton; John M. Gregory; Michael McKewan; Garrett Putman; Moses Smith; John O'Neale; Sally C. & Eliza S. Wenwood; Benjamin Marshall; Isaac Davis; Joseph Kingry; James McCauley; John Crain; William Brawner; Joseph Wadsworth; John Gregg; Edward Kean; William Dent Beall; Ezekiel Knowles; Aaron Blaney, and James Wood, and that they severally lie upon the table.

Mr. FOOT, of Conn. from the joint Committee for enrolled bills, reported that the Committee had examined an enrolled bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Dean Weymouth and Zachariah Bunker," and found the same to be truly enrolled: when the SPEAKER signed the said bill.

On motion of Mr. VINTON, *Resolved*, That the Committee on Commerce be instructed to enquire into the expediency of providing by law, that no license to navigate any of the waters of the United States, shall be granted to any boat or vessel hereafter built, and moved or propelled by fire or steam, upon the principle of construction commonly called "high pressure," nor to any boat or vessel heretofore built, and moved or propelled by fire or steam, that shall hereafter be fitted up or provided with any engine or other machine, intended to move or propel such boat or vessel upon the principle of construction aforesaid.

Mr. COOK submitted the following joint resolution: *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the several States which have been admitted into the Union under any contract prohibiting such State from levying and collecting a tax on land, for five years next succeeding the sale of such land by the United States, be, and they are hereby, authorized, whenever they may deem it expedient to subject all lands hereafter sold by the United States, within their respective limits, to the same tax that they may levy and collect on lands not subject to the provisions of such compact: read the first and second time, and laid on the table.

Mr. STEWART submitted the following resolution, to lie one day on the table: *Resolved*, That the President of the United States be requested to cause to be communicated to this House, any report that may have been made by the Superintendent of the Cumberland Road, shewing the manner in which the appropriation made during the last session of Congress, for the preservation and repair of said road, has been expended.

Mr. TAYLOR, from the managers appointed on the part of this House, to attend a conference with the managers appointed on the part of the Senate, upon the subject of the disagreeing votes of the two Houses, upon the amendments of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act to amend the several acts imposing duties on imports," made a report, which was ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. TAYLOR, from the Select Committee, to which was referred the joint resolution from the Senate, entitled "A resolution to authorize the purchase of a certain number of the copies of the Journals of Congress from 1774 to 1788," reported the same with an amendment.

An engrossed bill, entitled "An act for altering the time of holding the Circuit Court of the United States, for the 4th Circuit in the Maryland District," was read the third time and PASSED.

On motion, the Committee of the whole was discharged from the further consideration of the bill, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled an act to amend an act for the establishment of a territorial government in Florida," and the House proceeded to the consideration thereof; the first and second sections having been amended, the blank in the ninth line of the third section was filled with the sum of five hundred; and afterwards a motion was made by Mr. TAYLOR, to strike out the words, "the sum five hundred dollars," in the eighth and ninth lines, and in lieu thereof insert the following—the same salary as is provided by law for the District Attorney of the District of Kentucky—and the question being taken to agree to the said amendment, it passed in the affirmative—Yeas 77, Nays 62.

YEAS, 77.—Alexander of Va. Allen of Mass. Bartlett, Bartley, Beecher,

Cady, Cassidy, Cobb, Conduct, Cook, Crafts, Craig, Crowninshield, Durfee, Eaton, Edwards of N. C. Ellis, Foot of Conn. Forsyth, Frost, Garrison, Gatlin, Hall, Harris, Harvey, Hayden, Herrick, Hobart, Hogeboom, Hooks, Ingham, Jennings, Johnson of Va. Lawrence, Lincoln, Little, Livermore, McArthur, McCoy, Markley, Martindale, Matson, Metcalfe, Neale, Newton, Patterson of Penn. Patterson of Ohio, Plumer of N. H. Plumer of Penn. Richards, Rich, Ross, Sandford, Scott, Arthur Smith, Alex. Smyth, Spaight, Stoddard, Swan, Taliaferro, Taylor, Ten Eyck, Tomlinson, Tucker of Va. Tucker of S. C. Tyson, Udree, Van Wyck, Whipple, Whitman, White, Williams of Va. Williams of N. C. Henry Wilson, Wilson of Ohio, Wood and Wright.

NAYS, 62.—Alexander of Tenn. Archer, P. P. Barbour, Blair, Brent, Burleigh, Cambreleng, Cary, Collins, Cushman, Cuthbert, Dwinell, Edwards of Penn. Foote of N. Y. Garnett, Gist, Gurley, Hamilton, Hemphill, Holcombe, Houston, Isacks, J. T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Kent, Kremer, Leftwich, Litchfield, McDuffie, McKean, McKim, McLane of Del. McLane of Ohio, Mangum, Marvin, Mitchell of Md. Owen, Poinsett, Prince, Reynolds, Ross, Sharpe, Sloan, Wm. Smith, Spence, Standefer, A. Stevenson, J. Stephenson, Stewart, Tattall, Test, Thompson of Geo. Thompson of Ken. Vance of N. C. Vance of Ohio, Vinton, Warfield, Wayne, Webster, Whittlesey and Woods.

The bill having been further amended, was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

The House proceeded to consider the bill to alter the Judicial Districts of Virginia and for other purposes; and the same having been read and amended, was ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

On motion, the Committee of the whole House, to which had been committed the bill to alter the times of holding the Circuit Court of the United States, for the District of South-Carolina, was discharged from the further consideration thereof; when the House proceeded to consider the said bill, and being read and amended at the Clerk's table, was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

The House proceeded to consider the report of the managers at the conference on the subject of the disagreeing votes on the act, entitled "An act to amend the several acts imposing duties on imports;" when a motion was made by Mr. Forsyth, that the said bill and report be postponed indefinitely, and the question being taken thereon, it was decided in the negative—Yeas 70, Nays 120.

YEAS, 70.—Messrs. Abbot, Alexander of Va. Allen of Tenn. Archer, P. P. Barbour, J. S. Barbour, Brent, Burleigh, Burton, Cambreleng, Campbell of S. C. Carter, Cary, Cobb, Conner, Crowninshield, Culpeper, Cushman, Cuthbert, Edwards of N. C. Floyd, Forsyth, Frost, Garnett, Gatlin, Gist, Govan, Gurley, Hall, Hamilton, Hooks, Kent, Lee, Leftwich, Lincoln, Litchfield, Livingston, Long, McCoy, McDuffie, McKee, Mangum, Mercer, Moore of Alab. Neale, Owen, Poinsett, Rankin, Reed, Reynolds, Saunders, Sandford, Arthur Smith, Alex. Smyth, Wm. Smith, Spaight, Spence, A. Stevenson, J. Stephenson, Taliaferro, Tattall, Thompson of Geo. Tucker of Va. Tucker of S. C. Vance, of N. C. Warfield, Webster, Williams of Va. Williams of N. C. and Wilson of S. C.

NAYS, 120.—Messrs. Adams, Alexander of Ten. Allen of Mass. Allison, Baylies, Barber of Conn. Bartlett, Bartley, Beecher, Blair, Brown, Buchanan, Buck, Buckner, Cady, Campbell of Ohio, Cassidy, Cocke, Collins, Conduct, Cook, Crafts, Craig, Day, Durfee, Dwinell, Eaton, Eddy, Edwards of Penn. Ellis, Farrelly, Findlay, Foote of N. Y. Forward, Garrison, Gazlay, Harris, Harvey, Hayden, Hemphill, Henry, Herkimer, Hogeboom, Holcombe, Houston, Ingham, Isacks, Jenkins, Jennings, Johnson of Va. J. T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Kidder, Kremer, Lawrence, Letcher, Little, Locke, McArthur, McKean, McKim, McLane of Del. McLane of Ohio, Mallary, Markley, Martindale, Marvin, Matlack, Matson, Metcalfe, Miller, Mitchell of Penn. Mitchell of Md. Moore of Ken. Morgan, Nelson, Newton, Patterson of Penn. Patterson of Ohio, Plumer of N. H. Plumer of Penn. Prince, Richards, Rich, Rose, Scott, Sharpe, Sibley, Sloan, Standefer, Sterling, Stewart, Stoddard, Strong, Swan, Taylor, Ten Eyck, Test, Thompson of Ken. Tod, Tomlinson, Trimble, Tyson, Udree, Vance, of Ohio, Van Wyck, Vinton, Wayne, Whipple, Whitman, Whittlesey, White, Wickliffe, James Wilson, Henry Wilson, Wilson of Ohio, Wood, Woods, and Wright.

The question was then taken on agreeing to the report of the said managers, and passed in the affirmative—Yeas 126, Nays 66.

YEAS, 126.—Messrs. Adams, Alexander of Ten. Allen of Mass. Allison, Baylies, Barber of Conn. Bartlett, Bartley, Beecher, Blair, Brown, Buchanan, Buck, Cady, Campbell of Ohio, Cassidy, Cocke, Collins, Conduct, Cook, Crafts, Craig, Cushman, Day, Durfee, Dwinell, Eaton, Eddy, Edwards of Penn. Ellis, Farrelly, Findlay, Foot of Conn. Foote of N. Y. Forward, Garrison, Gazlay, Harris, Harvey, Hayden, Hemphill, Henry, Herkimer, Hobart, Hogeboom, Holcombe, Houston, Ingham, Isacks, Jenkins, Jennings, Johnson of Va. J. T. Johnson, F. Johnson, Kidder, Kremer, Lawrence, Leftwich, Letcher, Little, Locke, McArthur, McKean, McKim, McLane of Del. McLane of Ohio, Mallary, Markley, Martindale, Marvin, Matlack, Matson, Metcalfe, Miller, Mitchell of Penn. Mitchell of Md. Moore of Ken. Morgan, Nelson, Newton, Patterson of Penn. Patterson of Ohio, Plumer of N. H. Plumer of Penn. Prince, Reed, Reynolds, Richards, Rich, Rose, Scott, Sharpe, Sibley, Sloan, Standefer, Sterling, Stewart, Stoddard, Strong, Swan, Taylor, Ten Eyck, Test, Thompson of Ken. Tod, Tomlinson, Trimble, Tyson, Udree, Vance of Ohio, Van Wyck, Vinton, Wayne, Webster, Whipple, Whitman, Whittlesey, White, James Wilson, Henry Wilson, Wilson of Ohio, Wood, Woods and Wright.

NAYS, 66.—Messrs. Abbot, Alexander of Va. Allen of Tenn. Archer, P. P. Barbour, J. S. Barbour, Brent, Buckner, Burleigh, Burton, Cambreleng, Campbell of S. C. Carter, Cary, Cobb, Conner, Crowninshield, Culpeper, Cuthbert, Edwards of N. C. Floyd, Forsyth, Garnett, Gatlin, Gist, Govan, Gurley, Hall, Hamilton, Hooks, Kent, Lee, Lincoln, Litchfield, Livingston, Long, McCoy, McDuffie, McKee, Mangum, Mercer, Moore of Alab. Neale, Owen, Poinsett, Rankin, Saunders, Sandford, Arthur Smith, Alex. Smyth, Wm. Smith, Spaight, Spence, A. Stevenson, J. Stephenson, Taliaferro, Tattall, Thompson of Geo. Tucker of Va. Tucker of S. C. Vance of N. C. Warfield, Wickliffe, Williams of Va. Williams of N. C. and Wilson of S. C.



So the House concurred in the report of the said Committee of Conference, which is as follows:

1st. That the House of Representatives do recede from its disagreement to the third amendment of the Senate, and do agree to the same, with the following amendment after the word "wool," where it first occurs in the proviso, strike out the words "or of which wool shall be a component part," and insert, *except flannels and baizes.*

2d. That the Senate do recede from so much of its sixteenth amendment, in reference to the specific duty on cotton bagging, as is disagreed to by the House of Representatives, and that the clause be modified so as to read, "On cotton bagging, three cents; and three fourths of a cent per square yard."

The House proceeded to consider the amendment proposed by the select Committee, on the resolution from the Senate, to authorize the purchase of a certain number of the copies of the Journals of Congress from 1774 to 1788; and the said amendment being read, was concurred in by the House: the said amendment being engrossed, the resolution was read the third time and PASSED.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole on the bill to discontinue certain Post Roads, and to establish others; and after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair, and Mr. CONDUCT reported, that the Committee had, according to order, again had the said bill under consideration, made further progress therein, and directed him to ask leave to sit again; and the question being stated, shall the Committee have leave to sit again on said bill, on motion, the House adjourned.

### Thursday, May 20th, 1824.—134th day.

Mr. HARVEY, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, reported a bill for the relief of William Townsend; read the first and second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House, to-morrow.

Mr. WHIPPLE, from the Committee on the Public Lands, to which was referred the bill from the Senate, entitled "An act for the relief of the representatives of John Donnellson, Stephen Heard and others," reported the same with an amendment; read, and agreed to by the House, and the amendment ordered to be engrossed, and the bill to be read a third time, to-morrow.

The resolution laid on the table by Mr. STEWART yesterday, was taken up, read, and agreed to by the House.

The bill from the Senate, entitled "An act to provide for the punishment of certain crimes when committed in any navy yard, fort, arsenal, magazine, dock yard, light house, or other place belonging to the United States, was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The bill from the Senate, entitled "An act to enable the President of the United States to hold treaties with certain Indian tribes, and for other purposes," was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Engrossed bills of the following titles, viz: "An act to alter the times of holding the circuit court of the United States for the District of South Carolina;" "An act to alter the judicial districts of Virginia, and for other purposes," an act to amend an act, entitled "An act to amend an act, for the establishment of a territorial government in Florida, and for other purposes; were severally read the third time, and PASSED.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole, on the bill to authorize the surveying and making of a road from a point in the N. W. boundary of the state of Ohio, near the foot of the rapids of the Miami of Lake Erie to Detroit, in the territory of Michigan; and after some time spent therein, the SPEAKER resumed the chair, and Mr. CAMPBELL, of Ohio, reported the same with an amendment, which was read and concurred in by the House, and the bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Committee of the whole have leave to sit again on the bill to discontinue certain post routes, and to establish others.

The House then again resolved itself into a Committee of the whole on the said bill; and after some time spent therein, the SPEAKER resumed the chair, and Mr. CONDUCT reported the same with sundry amendments; which were read and agreed to by the House.

Mr. MOORE, of Ala. moved further to amend the said bill by inserting the following section:

Sec. And be it further enacted, That the privilege heretofore granted by law to members of the Senate and of the House of Representatives, and to the delegates from territories of receiving and transmitting letters and packets by mail free of postage, be extended to the period of thirty days after the time allowed for the arrival of a member or delegate at his usual place of residence, estimating each day's travel at 40 miles; and for the same period of thirty days before their departure from home, estimating each day's travel at 40 miles; disagreed to by the House.

Mr. MOORE then moved to amend by inserting the following section:

Sec. And be it further enacted, That the privilege heretofore granted by law to members of the Senate and of the House of Representatives, and to the delegates from territories, of receiving and transmitting letters and packets by mail free of postage be extended to the period for which they may have been elected respectively, also disagreed to by the House.

Mr. COCKE moved to amend the said bill by adding the following section to the bill, viz:

Sec. And be it further enacted, That so much of any act now in force as authorizes members of Congress to receive and transmit free of postage letters or packets either before the commencement or after the termination of the sessions of Congress, be and the same is hereby repealed.

This amendment being read, Mr. COCKE moved to amend the same by striking out the word "repealed," and inserting in place thereof the following, "extended, so as to allow the privilege to sixty days next preceding and next succeeding each session of Congress."

This amendment was adopted by the House, and on the question to agree to the section moved by Mr. COCKE, as thus amended, it passed in the affirmative.

Mr. WHIPPLE then moved that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads, with instructions to report the number of miles added to the present post routes by the bill; the expense of carrying the mail

on the same—the amount of available revenue which accrued to the post office department during the last year; and the expenses thereof for the same period, with the balance, if any, which now exists against the General Post Office. This proposition was disagreed to by the House.

On motion of Mr. McDuffie, the bill was further amended, and a motion was made by Mr. INGHAM to add thereto the following section:

Sec. And be it further enacted, That whenever the annual receipts of the General Post Office Department shall be ascertained by the Post Master General to be insufficient for the transportation of the mail on the routes which have been or may hereafter be established by law, it shall be his duty to suspend the transportation of the mail on a sufficient number of routes (beginning with the least production) to reduce the annual expense within the annual receipts of the department.

This amendment was disagreed to, and it was then ordered that the said bill be engrossed and read a third time, to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole, on the bill making an appropriation for the payment of the claims of Daniel D. Tompkins, late Governor of the state of New-York; and after some time spent therein, the SPEAKER resumed the chair, and Mr. CONN reported the same with an amendment, viz: fill the blank in the second section with the sum of one hundred and fifteen thousand dollars, so as to make the section read as follows:

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That a sum not exceeding one hundred and fifteen thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated to be applied under the direction of the President of the United States, to the payment of the claims of the said Daniel D. Tompkins against the United States; and, on the question, "Will the House concur with the Committee of the whole in the said amendment?" It passed in the affirmative—Yeas 76, Nays 61.

YEAS, 76.—Messrs. Alexander of Va. Allen of Tenn. Archer, P. P. Barbour, J. S. Barbour, Brent, Brown, Burton, Cambreleng, Cary, Cobb, Collins, Conner, Craig, Crowninshield, Cuthbert, Day, Dwinell, Eaton, Eddy, Edwards, of N. C. Foot of Conn. Foote, of N. Y. Frost, Garrison, Gatlin, Gist, Govan, Gurley, Hamilton, Henry, Herkimer, Hogeboom, Hooks, Houston, Jenkins, Johnson of Va. J. T. Johnson, Kent, Lawrence, Litchfield, Livermore, Long, McDuffie, McKim, McLane, of Del. Mangum, Mitchell of Md. Moore of Ken. Moore, of Ala. Newton, Owen, Poinsett, Richards, Scott, Sharpe, Wm. Smith, Spaight, A. Stevenson, J. Stephenson, Stoddard, Taliaferro, Tatnall, Taylor, Ten Eyck, Thompson of Geo. Tyson, Udree, Vance of N. C. Vance of Ohio, Van Wyck, Wayne, Whipple, Williams of N. Y. Henry Wilson, and Woods.

NAYS, 61.—Messrs. Alexander of Ten. Baylies, Beecher, Blair, Buck, Buckner, Burleigh, Cady, Campbell of Ohio, Cocke, Condict, Cook, Crafts, Culpeper, Ellis, Forsyth, Harris, Harvey, Hobart, Ingham, Isacks, F. Johnson, Kremer, Lettwich, Letcher, Lincoln, McArthur, McCoy, McLean of Ohio, Martindale, Matlack, Matson, Metcalfe, Miller, Mitchell of Penn. Neale, Patterson, of Penn. Patterson of Ohio, Plumer of N. H. Plumer of Penn. Reynolds, Rich, Ross, Sandford, Sibley, Sloan, Arthur Smith, Standefer, Swan, Tomlinson, Vinton, Warfield, Whitman, Whittlessey, Wickliffe, Williams of Va. Williams of N. C. James Wilson, Wilson of Ohio, Wood, and Wright.

A motion was made by Mr. WICKLIFFE, further to amend the said bill by striking from the first section these words: "That the President of the United States, in the final decision of the claims of Daniel D. Tompkins, late Governor of the state of New-York, against the United States, be and he is hereby authorized to allow to the said Daniel D. Tompkins, interest upon the amount of the commission which may be allowed him for disbursement;" and the question thereon being stated, Adjourned.

### Friday, May 21st, 1824.—135th day.

Ordered, That Messrs. FARRELLY and ALLISON have leave of absence from the service of this House, from to-day, and Mr. BAYLIES from Monday next, for the remainder of the Session.

The SPEAKER laid before the House, a letter from the Postmaster General, transmitting a statement of the extent of the post roads, amount of postage collected, compensation of Postmasters, incidental expenses, cost of transporting mails, &c., in each state and territory, in the years 1820, 1821, and 1822; prepared in obedience to a resolution of the House, of the 17th of December last; read, and laid on the table.

Mr. COCKE, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, to which was referred the bill from the Senate, entitled "An act to enable the President to hold treaties with certain Indian tribes, and for other purposes," reported the same without amendment; committed to a Committee of the whole House, to-day.

Mr. NEWTON, from the Committee on Commerce, to which was referred the bill from the Senate, entitled "An act for the relief of Alexander Scott, late Collector of Pensacola," reported the same without amendment; committed to the Committee of the whole House, to which is committed the bill to allow a salary to the Collector of Pensacola.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Public Lands be discharged from the consideration of the Message of the President of the United States, of the 18th ultimo, accompanying a communication from Alexander Hamilton, relative to titles to lands in Florida, and that the said Message be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary; and that the said Committee be also discharged from the petition of Marcione Lasselle, and others, and that leave be given to withdraw the same.

Mr. SLOANE, from the Committee of Elections, made the following report:—"That from certificates of election, to them referred, it appears that the following persons are duly elected, viz: From the State of Virginia, John Taliaferro; from the State of Kentucky, Robert P. Henry; from the State of Ohio, Joseph Vance and Philemon Beecher; From the State of North-Carolina, Charles Hooks.

Ordered, That the Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Cuthbert Sims, and that leave be given to withdraw the same.

Mr. TAYLOR, from the Joint Committee, appointed by the two Houses of Congress to make such distribution of the rooms of the centre building of the Cap-



tol as the business and convenience of the two Houses require, made a report, which was read; and, on motion of Mr. TAYLOR, it was resolved, that a Committee be appointed to make distribution of the rooms in the Capitol appropriated to the use of the House of Representatives; and Messrs. Taylor, Hamilton, Kent, Tod, Hemphill, Condict and Eddy, were appointed said Committee.

*Resolved*, On motion of Mr. TAYLOR, that the Commissioner of the public buildings dispose of the building south of the Capitol, now used for Committee rooms, to the best advantage, and that the same be removed.

Mr. TREMBLE laid the following resolution on the table for consideration, to-morrow: *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Treasury be directed to report to this House, at an early day of the next session, whether any, and what provision can be made by law, to distinguish between importations made by aliens, or on foreign accounts, and those made by citizens of the United States; and also report the amount of duties which accrued on imports, during the year 1822 or 1823; classing the imports according to the aggregates of the several credits allowed by law upon the duty bonds, so as to show the aggregate under each head of credit, for the year selected; and so as to show, also, by estimate, the amount of interest that would have accrued upon the bonds if the several credits had been allowed, upon the payment of interest, at the rate of six per centum per annum.

On motion of Mr. WRIGHT, *Resolved*, That the Committee on Military Affairs be instructed to inquire whether further legislative provision is necessary, to carry into effect the act of Congress of the 3d March, 1823, entitled "An act to establish a national armoury on the Western waters."

*Ordered*, That leave be given to withdraw the petitions and documents of Abraham Scranton and Eleazer Scott.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill making an appropriation for the payment of the claims of Daniel D. Tompkins against the United States, and the question recurred on the amendment moved by Mr. WICKLIFFE, and depending yesterday, when Mr. Wickliffe modified his amendment so as to strike out the whole of the said bill except the enacting words, and in lieu thereof to insert the following: "That the sum of \$60,239 24 shall be, and is hereby, appropriated to be paid by the Secretary of the Treasury to Daniel D. Tompkins, in full, for the balance found due him for his services, losses, and disbursements, for and on account of the United States, during the late war with Great Britain;" and on the question thus to amend the said bill, it passed in the affirmative—Yeas 83, Nays 30.

YEAS, 83.—Messrs. Alexander of Tenn. Allen of Mass. Baylies, Bartlett, Bartley, Beecher, Blair, Buck, Buckner, Burleigh, Cady, Campbell of Ohio, Cocke, Cook, Crafts, Culpeper, Cushman, Dwight, Edwards of Penn. Ellis, Forward, Harris, Harvey, Henry, Herrick, Hobart, Hooks, Houston, Ingham, Isacks, Jennings, Johnson of Va. J. T. Johnson, Kremer, Leftwich, Letcher, Lincoln, Little, Locke, Long, Longfellow, McArthur, McCoy, McLean of Ohio, Mallary, Martindale, Matlack, Matson, Mercer, Miller, Mitchell of Penn. Neale, Nelson, Patterson of Penn. Patterson of Ohio, Plumer of N. H. Plumer of Penn. Prince, Rankin, Reynolds, Rich, Ross, Sibley, Sloan, Arthur Smith, Standefer, Sterling, Swan, Test, Tod, Tomlinson, Vance of N. C. Vinton, Warfield, Webster, Whittlesey, Wickliffe, Williams of Va. Williams of N. C. James Wilson, Wood, Wright.

NAYS, 30.—Messrs. Abbot, Alexander of Va. Allen of Tenn. Archer, P. P. Barbour, J. S. Barbour, Breck, Brent, Brown, Burton, Cambreleng, Campbell of S. C. Carter, Cary, Cassidy, Cobb, Collins, Conner, Crowninshield, Cuthbert, Day, Dwinell, Eaton, Edwards of N. C. Floyd, Foot of Conn. Foote of N. Y. Frost, Garrison, Gatlin, Gist, Govan, Gurley, Hall, Hamilton, Herkimer, Hogeboom, Holcombe, Kent, Kidder, Lawrence, Litchfield, Livermore, Livingston, McDuffie, McKim, McLane of Del. Mangum, Markley, Marvin, Mitchell of Md. Moore of Ala. Newton, Owen, Poinsett, Richards, Rose, Saunders, Scott, Sharpe, Alexander Smyth, Spaight, A. Stevenson, J. Stephenson, Stoddard, Taliaferro, Tattall, Taylor, Ten Eyck, Thompson of Geo. Tucker of S. C. Tyson, Udree, Vance of Ohio, Van Wyck, Wayne, Whipple, Williams of N. Y. Henry Wilson, Woods.

*Ordered*, That said bill be engrossed, and read a third time, to-morrow.

The SPEAKER laid before the House a report of the Secretary of the Treasury, accompanying three statements, prepared in obedience to the act establishing a mint, showing the expenses of that establishment; which report was laid upon the table.

An engrossed bill, entitled "An act to discontinue certain post routes and to establish others," was read the third time; and on the question shall the said bill pass, it passed in the affirmative—Yeas 93, Nays 46.

YEAS, 93.—Messrs. Adams, Alexander of Tenn. Allen of Tenn. Archer, Baylies, P. P. Barbour, J. S. Barbour, Bartley, Brent, Brown, Burton, Cambreleng, Campbell of S. C. Carter, Cary, Cobb, Cocke, Collins, Conner, Cook, Cushman, Cuthbert, Dwinell, Dwight, Eaton, Edwards of Penn. Ellis, Foote of N. Y. Forward, Frost, Garnett, Gatlin, Govan, Gurley, Hall, Hamilton, Henry, Hogeboom, Houston, Isacks, Jennings, F. Johnson, Lawrence, Leftwich, Lincoln, Litchfield, Livingston, Locke, Longfellow, McCoy, McDuffie, McKee, McLane of Del. McLean of Ohio, Mallary, Markley, Marvin, Mercer, Metcalfe, Miller, Mitchell of Penn. Mitchell of Md. Moore of Ala. Newton, Owen, Patterson of Penn. Poinsett, Richards, Sandford, Scott, Sharpe, Sibley, Sloan, Spaight, Standefer, J. Stephenson, Stewart, Taliaferro, Ten Eyck, Test, Thompson of Geo. Udree, Vance of Ohio, Vinton, Warfield, Wayne, Webster, Whittlesey, Henry Wilson, Wilson of S. C. Wood, Woods, Wright.

NAYS, 46.—Messrs. Alexander of Va. Bartlett, Beecher, Burleigh, Campbell of Ohio, Crafts, Craig, Crowninshield, Culpeper, Day, Foot of Conn. Forsyth, Harris, Harvey, Herrick, Hobart, Ingham, Johnson of Va. J. T. Johnson, Little, Livermore, Long, McArthur, Martindale, Matlack, Matson, Nelson, Patterson of Ohio, Plumer of N. H. Plumer of Penn. Reed, Rich, Ross, Arthur Smith, Sterling, Strong, Swan, Taylor, Tod, Tomlinson, Van Wyck, Whipple, Whitman, Williams of Va. Williams of N. C. Wilson of Ohio.

An engrossed bill, entitled "An act to authorize the surveying and making a road from a point in the north-western boundary line of the state of Ohio, near the foot of the rapids of the Miami of Lake Erie, to Detroit, in the Territory of Michigan," was read the third time, and PASSED.

The bill from the Senate, entitled "An act for the relief of the representatives of John Donnellson, Stephen Heard, and others," was read the third time, and passed, with an amendment.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole, on the bill making further appropriations for the military service of the United States, for the year 1824, (Indian service) as also on the bill making a further appropriation for the use of the library of Congress; and after some time spent therein, the SPEAKER resumed the chair, and Mr. FOOT, of Conn. reported that the Committee had, according to order, had the said bills under consideration, and made some progress therein: *Ordered*, That the Committee of the whole have leave to sit again on said bills. *Adjourned*.

Saturday, May 22d, 1824.—136th day.

*Ordered*, That Mr. WM. SMITH, Mr. HAMILTON, Mr. PHILIP P. BARBOUR, and Mr. LONGFELLOW, have leave of absence from the service of this House from Monday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. NEWTON, from the Committee on Commerce, who were instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing, that no license shall be granted to any boat or vessel hereafter built, or fitted up and moved, or propelled by fire or steam upon the principle of construction commonly called "high pressure," made a report, accompanied by a bill for the regulating of Steam-boats, and for the security of passengers therein; read the first and second time, and committed to a committee of the whole House, on Monday next.

Mr. NEWTON, from the same Committee, who were instructed to inquire whether any law exists in contravention of the provisions of the convention of the 3d of July, 1815, between the United States and Great Britain; and also to inquire into the expediency of countervailing by law any duties or port charges on American commerce and tonnage, which Great Britain may lay thereon in her colonies or elsewhere, made a report thereon, which was read and laid upon the table.

Mr. McLANE, of Delaware, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported a bill making appropriations to carry into effect certain Indian treaties; read the first and second time, and committed to the Committee of the whole, to which is committed the bill making further appropriations for the military service of the United States, for the year 1824—[Indian expenses.]

Mr. HAMILTON, from the Committee on Military Affairs, to which the subject was referred, made a report relative to a purchase of additional ground in the vicinity of Fort Washington, to be added to the site of said fort; laid upon the table.

Mr. HAMILTON, from the same Committee, made an unfavourable report on the petition of Levi S. Burr; laid on the table.

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Military Affairs be discharged from the consideration of the petition of George Snell, of George Keller, of Joseph Morrison, of Sally Dewry, of Robert Stott, and the petition of the General Assembly of the State of Alabama respecting fortifications, and that the said petitions do lie on the table; also, that the said Committee be discharged from the consideration of the petition of Margaret Stewart, and that it be committed to the Committee of the whole House, to which is committed the bill concerning the allowance of pensions upon the relinquishment of county lands.

*Ordered*, That leave be given to withdraw the petitions and papers of John Lancelord, Alexander MacTier, and Ezekiel Knowles.

The House proceeded to consider the bill to establish Bowdoinham, in the State of Maine; Troy, in the State of New-York, and Fairport, in the State of Ohio, ports of delivery. The said bill was amended, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, on Monday next.

An engrossed bill, entitled "An act making an appropriation for the payment of the claims of Daniel D. Tompkins, late Governor of the State of New-York, against the United States," was read the third time. And on the question, Shall the said bill pass? It passed in the affirmative—Yeas 114, Nays 16.

YEAS, 114.—Messrs. Abbot, Allen, of Tenn. Archer, P. P. Barbour, Bartlett, Bartley, Breck, Brown, Cambreleng, Cary, Cobb, Collins, Condict, Conner, Cook, Crafts, Crowninshield, Culpeper, Cuthbert, Day, Durfee, Dwinell, Eddy, Edwards, of Penn. Edwards, of N. C. Foot, of Conn. Foote, of N. Y. Frost, Garrison, Gatlin, Gist, Gurley, Harris, Harvey, Hemphill, Henry, Herrick, Herkimer, Hobart, Hogeboom, Hooks, Houston, Jenkins, J. T. Johnson, Kent, Kidder, Kremer, Lawrence, Litchfield, Little, Long, McCoy, McDuffie, McKim, McLane, of Del. Mallary, Matlack, Matson, Miller, Mitchell, of Penn. Mitchell, of Md. Moore, of Ken. Moore, of Ala. Morgan, Neale, Newton, Patterson, of Penn. Plumer, of N. H. Plumer, of Penn. Prince, Reed, Reynolds, Richards, Rich, Saunders, Sandford, Scott, Sharpe, Sibley, Alex. Smyth, Wm. Smith, Spaight, Standefer, Sterling, J. Stephenson, Stoddard, Taliaferro, Tattall, Taylor, Test, Thompson, of Geo. Thompson, of Ken. Tod, Trimble, Tucker, of S. C. Udree, Vance, N. C. Vance, of Ohio, Van Wyck, Vinton, Warfield, Wayne, Whipple, Whittlesey, White, Williams, N. Y. Williams, Va. Williams, of N. C. James Wilson, Henry Wilson, Wilson, of S. C. Wilson, of Ohio, Wood, and Wright.

NAYS, 16.—Messrs. Baylies, Beecher, Buckner, Cocke, Forward, Garnett, Isacks, Leftwich, McArthur, McLean, of Ohio, Martindale, Metcalfe, Patterson, of Ohio, Ross, Sloan, and Arthur Smith.

The amendments proposed by the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act to improve the navigation of the Ohio and Mississippi rivers," were read and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Committee of the whole, to which is committed the bill to establish an additional Land Office in the State of Missouri, be discharged from the consideration thereof; and that the said bill be engrossed and read a third time, to-day.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the whole, on the bill making further appropriations for the Military service of the United States, for the year 1824, [Indian expenses]—on the bill authorizing an appropriation for the use of the Library of Congress, and on the bill making appropriations to carry into effect certain Indian treaties; reported to the House by Mr. FOOT, of Connecticut, with amendments to the two first mentioned; which amendments were severally concurred in by the House, and the said bills ordered to be severally engrossed and read a third time, to-day.

[To be continued.]